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# 'A MISTAKE TO RELEASE ME . . .'

— PETER BODAK

TRICKY winger Peter Bodak, scorer of one of the goals of the season in Coventry's 3-1 FA Cup victory at Manchester City, hopes that piece of individual brilliance will help him find another club.

It was his superb fifty yard dash and delicate chip over England's Joe Corrigan which clinched the tie for Coventry, but he plans to put one over on his old side next season.

He feels they have made a mistake in giving him a free transfer, and he aims to prove it.

"It came as a real surprise to be given a free because only a few months ago, when I went on the transfer list, they were asking quite a bit of money for me," says 20-year-old Peter, who made only nine First Division appearances last season.

"At that time Sunderland were interested, but nothing came of it.

"I'm very disappointed because I would have liked to have stayed at Coventry, but I don't think I ever fitted in with manager Dave Sexton's plans.

"He had to select me when I was playing well in the reserves,

but as soon as anything went wrong, I was out again.

"I still regard myself as a First Division player, and I hope that televised goal will show clubs what I am capable of.

"Several clubs, including one First Division team, have expressed some interest, but I'll just have to wait and see what develops over the next few weeks.

"It's been an ambition of mine to play in America, but I haven't received any offers this year. Maybe they will come in the future."



Right: Peter Bodak — he feels Coventry have made a mistake in letting him go.

I'M FREE! 'Match' talks to four of the top stars given shock free transfers by their respective clubs.

BILLY Ashcroft was 'shattered' when he got the news that Middlesbrough had given him a free transfer.

"It came like a bolt out of the blue. Only a couple of days earlier manager Bobby Murdoch had told me I'd be retained," claims Billy. "I feel very bitter. I was banking on being at Ayresome Park for at least another year. It seems that the decision to release me came from above the manager."

Billy was signed by former 'Boro' boss John Neal in September 1977 for a then club record £135,000, but last season he made only 14 full League appearances.

"One of the reasons I was given for being freed was that I didn't play enough games last season, but that wasn't my fault.

"Every time I did play I gave 100 per cent and thought I did quite well," adds Billy, who finished up as the club's joint leading scorer with four goals.

"The club also said that after five years at Ayresome Park I'd been

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there long enough. I consider that a stupid reason for getting rid of players."

Billy is one of eight players who have been freed by the relegated club. They include former skipper John Craggs, Billy Woof and Billy Askew, who've all had First Division experience.

"I don't feel anything for the club now. The only people I've got any feeling for are the players. They are a great bunch of lads and I'll miss them.

"It's been a traumatic time for me. I've got a wife and two children to worry about, but I'm determined not to let it get me down.

"We had planned to make some improvements to our house, but those will have to wait because I don't know where I'll be in a

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## 'I'VE A LOT TO OFFER'

BRIAN GREENHOFF

FORMER England utility man Brian Greenhoff admits: "I've had more problems in three years at Leeds than I've had throughout the rest of my career."

Brian, who cost Leeds £350,000 from Manchester United in 1979, is the shock among the nine free transfers announced by Elland Road boss Allan Clarke.

"I've had problems with illness and injury since I joined the club, but that's behind me now. Players go through phases like that.

"I just hope that clubs have the courage to come in for me. I know I've still got a lot to offer," said the 29-year-old, who made just ten full League appearances last season.

"I only had one good season with the club and that was in 1980-81 when I played 36 First Division games. Last season I couldn't get back into the reckoning after recovering from injury.

"My contract was up in the summer and I thought I'd be on my way. It didn't surprise me when Allan Clarke broke the news.

"Although no-one likes the idea of being released on a free I'm grateful to the club for letting me go for nothing. They could have put a price on my head and made it difficult for me to get fixed up.

Former England star Brian Greenhoff has suffered many problems in three years at Leeds.



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Manchester United goalkeeper  
Gary Bailey — the man with the  
safest pair of hands in Division  
One. See story page 37.



# SHATTERED'

## — BILLY ASHCROFT

couple of months.

At the moment it's a matter of waiting by the telephone for clubs to call me.

"I've had one or two offers already, but I shall wait for a couple of weeks before making a decision," says 29-year-old Billy.

"I'll listen to any offer — whether it be from a First Division club or Crewe.

"I'm an optimistic person. I'm sure I'll find something. If not I'll have to look outside football or join the three million people in the dole queue."

It's been a sorry season for

Middlesbrough with the club finishing bottom of the First Division.

And says Billy: "I believe they lacked ambition last season. Instead of replacing the departed midfield stars David Armstrong (Southampton), Mark Proctor (Forest) and Craig Johnston (Liverpool) they put their faith in youngsters. It hasn't worked out for them.

"If they don't make a real effort they could plunge straight into the Third Division."

# FREE!

## 'I'M NOT SORRY TO LEAVE SUNDERLAND'

### — KEVIN ARNOTT

YOUNG midfielder Kevin Arnott was valued at £350,000 when Middlesbrough tried to sign him from Sunderland last season.

But now Sheffield United have snapped him up for nothing!

And Kevin says: "I must admit I was surprised when I was given a free transfer.

"When Middlesbrough tried to get me on loan with a view to signing me, the manager valued me at £350,000!"

Sheffield United manager Ian Porterfield wasted no time in contacting his old club as soon as it was known that Kevin was up for grabs.

And 23-year-old Kevin wasted no time in taking up the Sheffield offer . . .

"They were the only team I was prepared to drop out of the First Division for. It's a big club with big ideas and I can't wait to help them in the Third Division next season. They are on their way back to the top.

"I just want to sell my house up here and get settled in at Sheffield as quickly as possible.

"Sheffield United are a First Division club in stature and everything is geared to success. And Ian Porterfield has managed two different teams to promotion in two seasons!"

Kevin only played seven or eight games for Sunderland last season — spending most of the time on loan to Second Division Blackburn. They, too, tried to sign him at the end of the season.

"I had a good time at Blackburn. We were in the top three or four for most of the season.

"I was re-called to Sunderland for the last few games of the season when it looked as if they would be relegated, but I only played two games before getting injured.

"I'd enjoyed two good seasons at Roker Park before last term, but when Mr Durban took over as manager it became obvious I wasn't his type of player.

"I didn't fit into his plans.

"I'm not sorry to be leaving Sunderland even though I shall leave with some good memories."



Kevin Arnott — "Sheffield United are the only club that could have lured me away from Division One."

"From what I've read in the papers the club have financial problems so it made sense to get rid of me.

"It wouldn't have made sense to have paid me at least the same money and played me in the reserves.

"I've heard that some of the star players have been asked to take a cut in wages. That shows the problems they've got at the moment."

Brian says he's been encouraged by the response he's received from other clubs. "I've already had quite a few offers.

"Now I'm just sitting tight and listening to what different clubs have to say. I'll talk to every club that makes an approach — it's only courtesy.

"Obviously I want to stay in the First Division, but it's a matter of waiting to see if a club from the top flight comes in for me.

He leaves a team that's doomed to Second Division football for the first time in 18 years and says: "I hope they can bounce back.

"The lads have the character to make a swift return."



Billy Ashcroft thought his future at Middlesbrough was safe.

Don't miss next week's issue for a fuller guide to the free transfers.



# '66 ON 45!

ENGLAND'S 1966 World Cup winning team are not being outdone by the current squad's success in the pop charts.

As a rival to 'This Time (we'll get it right)', some of the '66 team have recorded a disc called 'Up There O England'.

Known as the 'Stars of '66', some of the players are pictured in action. From the left they are: George Cohen, Gordon Banks, Geoff Hurst, Roger Hunt, Martin Peters, Ray Wilson, Bobby Moore and Alan Ball.

# Match Chat

Compiled by Melvyn Beck

## BUBBLING BROOKE

YOUNG Garry Brooke made his presence felt in the scoring stakes for Tottenham in the closing weeks of the season.

After just two substitute appearances this term, local boy Garry got his chance against Swansea and scored both goals in the 2-1 victory.

He followed that with a goal in the defeat of Leeds and another in the 2-2 London derby at West Ham.

■ THERE are some well-known and expensive players given free transfers.

Three £100,000 players, Nottingham Forest's David Needham, Shrewsbury's John Dungworth and Cardiff's Peter Kitchen, have all been given free transfers by their respective clubs.

Needham joined Forest from Queen's Park Rangers five years ago and, in the opinion of Forest boss Brian Clough, has been "one of my best buys".



## Sad end for Evans

WYNDHAM Evans, Swansea's long-serving full-back, waited 12 years for his first taste of First Division football.

He got his big chance in Swansea's end of season clash at Tottenham which was a fitting climax to his testimonial season.

But his debut lasted just 22 minutes before he had to leave the field with knee ligament trouble after a collision with Tottenham striker Mark Falco.

"At 31, I must accept that my chances of playing in the First Division next season are slim," he says.



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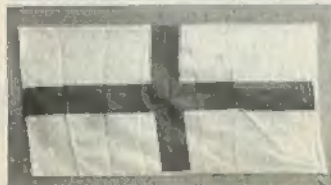
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That's a really tremendous feat by Bob Paisley and his men and the way they achieved it proves that the Anfield attitude hasn't changed since my days at the club under Bob's predecessor Bill Shankly.

Winning is the only thing that counts at Anfield and those people who wrote off the Reds when they were down in mid-table after Christmas don't know Liverpool.

You'll find a super colour tribute to the Champions on pages 24 and 25 this week, including that great goal by Kenny Dalglish against Spurs which helped clinch the title.

This week's issue also contains colour celebration pictures of Second Division champions, Luton, and your first set of stickers to paste onto the wallchart that you received free this

week. And 'yours truly' is featured in No. 2 in that great new series 'The Goal of My Life'.

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# Terry has seen it all

WHEN Rochdale's Terry Dolan played at Sheffield United last month, he fulfilled a long-held ambition to play on every ground in the Football League.

Since playing for Bradford City at Wimbledon in August 1978, United's Bramall Lane was the only one of the 92 grounds on which Terry had never appeared.

And he admits: "It did cross my mind the day before the United game that I'd feel really sick if I were to twist my ankle falling downstairs or something."

But it was not a happy visit for Terry as Rochdale lost 3-1 to the champions and now have to apply for re-election to the Football League.

"It's funny, really," says Terry, "when you think of it, I started my career with Bradford Park Avenue who were voted out of the League and I suppose it could

finish that way, too."

Terry joined Rochdale this season after being released by Bradford City, a decision which saddened him.

"I've always been a City fan, in fact, even when they let me go as a youngster, I couldn't bring myself to ask Park Avenue for a trial because I felt it would be disloyal.

"Fortunately, I listened to some fatherly advice and it was with Bradford Park Avenue, back in 1968, that my career began.

"Two years later, Bradford Park Avenue failed to get re-elected, but Terry ended up in the First Division with newly-promoted Huddersfield.

"I felt I had the ability and it was just a matter of time before I came back," he says.

With Huddersfield, he played in all four divisions before joining Bradford City in 1976 to boost their promotion drive from Division Four.



Rochdale's Terry Dolan has played on all 92 Football League grounds.

## NORMAN'S CONQUEST

IT'S been quite a finale to the season for Manchester United's latest discovery Norman Whiteside.

He was included in Northern Ireland's World Cup squad of forty just a day after his 17th birthday, and then signed professional forms for United.

And he celebrated that by scoring in the 2-0 victory over Stoke on his first full senior appearance.

## Hunter gets his man

FORMER Ipswich coach Cyril Lea is to team up at Colchester with new player-manager Allan Hunter.

Cyril, who was coach at Ipswich when Allan was a stalwart in the defence, has been out of football since being sacked by Hull along with manager Mike Smith earlier this year.

## TOP MAN TOMMY

YOUNG Manchester City defender Tommy Caton, a candidate for England's World Cup party for Spain, has collected the Supporters' Club 'Player of the Year' trophy.

Steve Kinsey received the 'Young Player of the Year' award for the third successive year, which means he now keeps the trophy.

## Four trophies for Linfield

BELFAST-based club Linfield won their fourth trophy of the season by defeating Distillery 1-0 in the Final of the County Antrim Shield.

They also won the Irish League Championship and both the Irish and Hennessey Gold Cups.

## POSTER OFFER

GOOD news for those readers who were not among the lucky winners in our competition for 25 fabulous World Cup poster sets (Match Weekly, May 8th issue).

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## Terry's 'Non'

ENGLAND midfielder player Terry McDermott has rejected a £200,000 move to French club Bordeaux.

Although out of the frame at Liverpool for the last ten matches of the season, Terry has decided to stay with the champions for the time being.

The form of youngsters Sammy Lee and Ronnie Whelan, and the re-emergence of record signing Mark Lawrenson in midfield, kept Terry in the cold during the run-in to the Championship.

## MATCH MISSION

'MATCH Weekly' is doing its bit to boost morale among the men in Britain's Falkland Islands Task Force.

Thousands of magazines — including other EMAP titles — have been shipped out to the South Atlantic to keep the men bang up to date with what's happening in football.

## CLOUGH UNEARTHS ANOTHER GEM...

HAS Nottingham Forest manager Brian Clough uncovered another £1 million striker from non-League football?

On the day that Liverpool clinched the championship, 21-year-old Merseysider Peter Davenport was killing off Ipswich's title hopes with a hat-trick at Portman Road in only his fourth First Division outing.

Peter was plucked from works side Cammell Laird at a cost of a bottle of Scotch.

And remember that Clough found England striker Garry Birtles playing for Long Eaton and his £2,000 investment turned into a £1 million transfer to Manchester United.

■ FRANK Ovard, the striker who joined Third Division Gillingham in October, is returning to Alliance Premier League club Maidstone.

The fee for the 26-year-old former Royal Marine has been fixed at £5,000 — exactly half the figure Gillingham paid for him.

"Frank has found it difficult to make the step up to full-time football, and it's probably in his best interests to go back to Maidstone," says Gillingham manager Keith Peacock.

■ RANGERS defeated Southampton 1-0 in a testimonial match for their long-serving defender Sandy Jardine.

But Rangers fans were disappointed at the late withdrawal of England skipper Kevin Keegan who contracted a virus.

'Saints' manager Lawrie McMenemy went on to the Ibrox pitch before the match to personally apologise to the fans for Keegan's absence.



## Webb feat rewarded

NEIL Webb, Reading's talented midfielder player, is pictured with Match Weekly's Third Division 'Matchmen of the Month' award for March.

He received the plaque from Reading manager Maurice Evans (centre) who was accompanied by the club chairman, Frank Waller.





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and the  
Scottish part-  
timer who  
has been  
bought to  
replace one  
of England's  
top strikers...



*West Ham's new signing Sandy Clark in battling form for Airdrie against St Mirren.*

IN three weeks time, Sandy Clark will quit his job as an office manager to become a First Division striker.

For part-timer Sandy is the man West Ham boss John Lyall believes can replace the considerable goal-scoring talents of David Cross. That's why he paid Airdrie £200,000 for their top scorer.

So instead of contemplating a season in the Scottish First Division with relegated Airdrie, Sandy has been catapulted into the big time.

And he's not scared of the challenge that lies ahead of him. He says: "I'm not worried about making the switch. I know it's going to be completely different to what I've been used to, but I'm just delighted that someone has given me a chance.

"I'm 25 now and time was running out for me. If I hadn't got fixed up with a club by the beginning of next season, I don't think I ever would have got the chance.

"But I never gave up hope of becoming a full professional. It's always been my ambition to make the grade," adds Sandy, who doesn't finish his job with a credit company until July.

Sandy is John Lyall's third swoop north of the border in two years. He's already bought full-back Ray Stewart and young central defender Neil Orr.

"If I can be as successful as those two, I'll be very happy," says Sandy, who scored 15 goals for Airdrie last season and was voted the Scottish Players' Player of the Year.

"I'd heard that a couple of Scottish clubs were interested in me, but the news that West Ham were coming to watch me play came as a complete surprise.

"John Lyall came up to see me in the last game of the season at Dundee and the transfer went through very quickly after that. I had no second thoughts about joining them."

Sandy travelled down to London to complete the formalities and admits: "Upton Park is a completely different world compared to Airdrie.

"The ground is so much bigger and the training facilities far better. At Airdrie, we used to run around our pitch. West Ham have their own training ground.

"I'm really looking forward to playing in front of big crowds. West Ham's average attendance is around 23,000. At Airdrie we were used to playing in front of 3,000!

"I know it's a big jump, but I've played in front of big crowds before when we've met Rangers and Celtic. On those occasions, I felt I played better. My game got a lift."

Sandy admits that he's taking a journey into the unknown. He says: "I don't know what it's going to be like down in England but I've got no regrets about leaving.

"A lot of players have made the transition from Scottish to English football and done well. That gives me confidence that I can do it.

"I know my attitude is right. I'll be working as hard as I can and hoping that my natural ability can shine through."

# SCOT!

On his first visit to London, Sandy met up with his new West Ham team-mate Neil Orr, who joined the club from Morton in the middle of last season.

"It was good to meet up with Neil again. He gave me some words of advice," says Sandy, who has signed a three-year contract with the Hammers.

"While I was down at West Ham, I looked round Essex and I liked the place. I'm looking forward to living there."

Sandy looked set to be on his way earlier last season when both Aberdeen and Celtic came in with bids.

"I was very disappointed and bitter when those moves fell through. I didn't feel the club had been fair to me.

"But as soon as the club got relegated, it made financial sense to sell me. They can buy one or two players with the cash West Ham have paid them."



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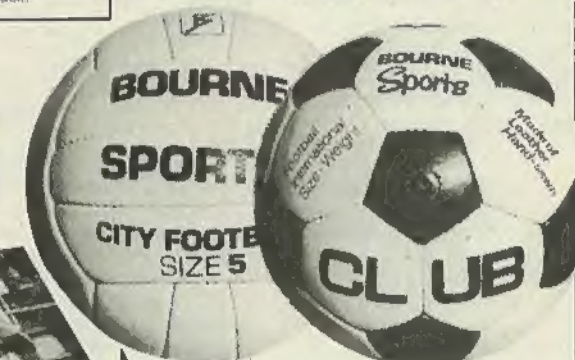
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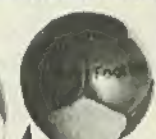


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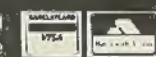
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# THE GLENN HODDLE COLUMN

## I HAVE A DREAM

ENGLAND'S glorious victory in 1966 is my earliest and fondest memory of the World Cup. I was nine-years-old and football mad.

When I played football in the street or park with my friends I was always pretending to be George Best.

But every member of the England team that won the World Cup were heroes in my eyes.

And it was my schoolboy dream that one day I would help England become champions of the world again.

Playing in the Finals of a World Cup must be the pinnacle of every player's career and with the start of this year's Finals just a little over a week away, I'm left wondering whether I am to realise my dream.

I was due to join up with the England squad the day before the international against Holland at Wembley, but with our FA Cup Final against QPR going to a replay, I missed that match... and the game against Scotland the following Saturday.

That meant my last chance to stake a claim for a place in the England team was in the warm-up against Finland.

You can imagine how desperate I was to play in that one because Spurs' fixture backlog this season hasn't given me as many opportunities as I would have liked to prove myself at international level.

I missed England's trip to Bilbao and, while I played and scored against Northern Ireland at Wembley, I got injured half-way through the following game against Wales.

I've been reasonably pleased with my performances when I have played, but I know I can do better.

As a right-sided midfielder player, I guess I'm competing with Steve Coppell, Ray Wilkins and Terry McDermott for a place in the England team that lines up against France.

All I can do is keep my fingers crossed that I get a chance.

It has been suggested that England have little chance of success in Spain after the First Round matches.

But I believe, given the right blend, England can beat anyone in the world.

All of the players will fly out to Spain believing England can win the World Cup. We are not just going out there to make up the numbers!

And the fact that we are the underdogs could work in our favour.

In past World Cups, England have always been regarded as one of the favourites and there won't be that pressure this time around.

The fact that we made hard work of qualifying means nothing.

Look at Italy in 1978. They

*Glenn Hoddle in pensive mood — "England can beat anyone in the world," he says.*

only just qualified ahead of England on goal difference and yet, in the Finals, they were one of the best teams in the competition.

It is important that England get off to a good start against France, of course. And it's one of those games that could either be easy or really hard. That's the way the French are — so unpredictable.

They have some good individuals and I suppose their biggest danger man must be Michel Platini for his all-round ability, but if they don't get it together as a team on the day, England could be in for a good result.

Czechoslovakia, our second opponents, look very organised — typical of East European sides.

They have individual flair, but it's more a team built to avoid defeat — depending on the quick break.

Kuwait I know nothing about. They are an unknown quantity and you never know quite what to expect.

Their big aim will probably be to beat England, but the fact that we play them in the last match is in our favour.

We'll know just what we have to do by then and, if we go out and do the business as we

know we can, we should have no problems.

Three-times winners Brazil are favourites to win the World Cup again and I wouldn't argue with that.

Man for man they have the most skilful side in the Finals.

And in Zico, I believe they have the potential star of the Finals.

Everyone's talking about Maradona of Argentina as the man to watch, but I like Zico better.

He has tremendous all-round ability and scores a lot of goals.

I understand Maradona's form has not been too good in the run-up to the Finals and he doesn't have as much experience as the Brazilian.

But while Brazil are favourites and West Germany look the strongest side, there are plenty of other teams capable of causing surprises — including England, Scotland and Russia.

Scotland seem to have a stiff task ahead of them. The two biggest threats, of course, are Brazil and Russia, but New Zealand won't be easy.

They've got so many British players on their books that they'll play like a British side.

Northern Ireland will do themselves proud if they get

through to the Second Round, but they look to have their work cut out to achieve that.

I wish them all the best. It will be lovely if all three British teams qualify for the Second Round.

*Glenn Hoddle*

● Glenn Hoddle was talking to Paul Stratton.



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ITALY'S World Cup hopes have received a blow with the loss of star striker Roberto Bettega.

The Juventus ace has been ruled out of the World Cup Finals through injury.

Although a place was left open for him in manager Enzo Bearzot's final squad of 22, the experienced striker has failed to recover from a knee injury that has kept him out of action for six months.

So it means that Italy will have to re-shape their striking force and find a new partner for Bettega's Juventus team-mate Paolo Rossi who has returned to soccer after a long suspension following a bribes scandal.

Life has not been made any easier for Bettega at Juventus with the arrival of new stars like Marocchini Fanna and Virdis and imports Boniek and Platini.

It could be that Bettega may leave Juventus next season and line up with former Juventus striking partner Franco Causio at Udine.

## Russians lose their general

RUSSIA has suffered a blow to their World Cup chances with one of their best players forced to announce his retirement from the game.

Dynamo Tbilisi midfield star David Kipiani has been forced to quit because of recurring ankle injury.

The balding 'general' first injured the ankle in a pre-season tournament in Spain — following a tackle from Real Madrid's Angel.

While it's bad news for the Russians, it's good news for Scotland, who are in the same opening group — along with Brazil and New Zealand.

Russian manager Konstantin Beskov

believes qualification from the group will be decided on goal difference.

He says: "I quite like Scotland. I saw them play in Valencia and, although they lost to Spain, they earned my respect.

"So much so, that I'm quite sure our group will be decided on goals, with the teams which score most against New Zealand going through."

Meanwhile, Russia's super striker Oleg Blokhin believes Argentina may have been sidetracked by outside matters in the preparations.

He says of the holders: "Their players are so preoccupied with money and business that

football almost seems a sideline for them at times."

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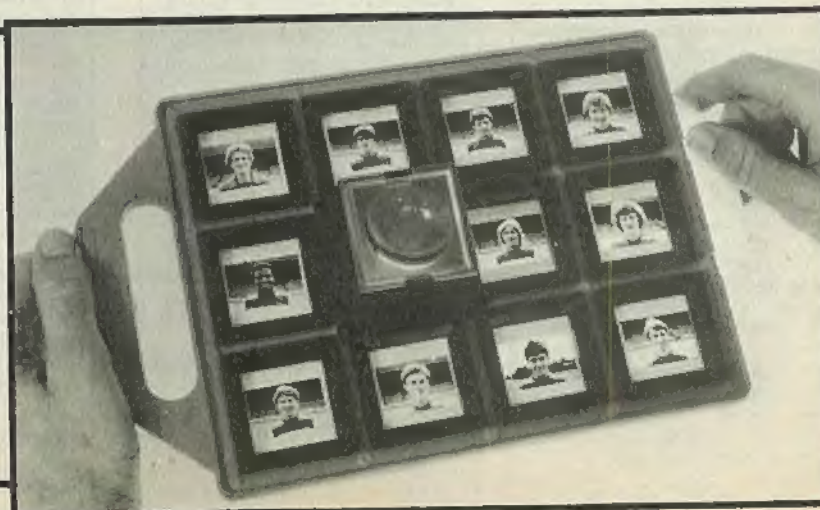
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**HAIL THE HATTERS!** Luton Town are promoted as Division Two champions.

They finally finished eight points clear of their nearest rivals, Watford, who were in turn a further nine points ahead of third placed Norwich.

It's eight years since the Kenilworth Road side were in Division One and they lasted just one season on that occasion.

But their form in the past year suggests it won't happen again.

Luton were beaten in the League on only four occasions and crashed home an average of more than two goals a game as they made the pace for almost the whole campaign.

Over the next two pages, 'Match' pays tribute to the season's most convincing champions.

*Left: Luton skipper Brian Horton holds the Second Division Championship trophy aloft in triumph prior to the home match with Barnsley*

*Below: We are the champions! Overjoyed Luton players pose for a group shot that says it all ● Pictures by Philip Bagnall.*





What a team! Luton manager David Pleat (right) joins bearded skipper Brian Horton for the traditional lap of honour Goalkeeper Jake Findlay (centre) crouches down to make sure he's on the picture too!

**THE month was September.**  
**We were three games into a new and exciting season.**  
**Luton were the favourites to earn promotion.**

Former Brighton player and skipper Brian Horton had seen it all before "To be quoted as favourites to go up after just three games was ridiculous," he said.

Granted Luton had won each of those games — beating Charlton 3-0 at home and winning 2-1 at both QPR and Bolton. But it all seemed a little premature.

Luton had finished fifth and sixth in the previous two seasons, but there was a lot of football to be played. And Horton knew it.

He said at the time: "It's stupid to raise your hopes too early in the season — especially with the new three points for a win system. It's far too early to get any real form guide."

A 3-0 home defeat by Sheffield Wednesday in the fourth match and a 3-2 home defeat at the hands of since-relegated Cardiff ten days later bore out Horton's warning.

He'd got Brighton to Division One in 1979 and he knew it wasn't going to be easy.

"There are so many good teams in Division Two that it's going to be a tough fight to get out.

## Luton's route to the Championship

Date	Opponents	Score/scorers	Attendance
Aug. 29	Charlton (h)	3-0 (Donaghy, o.g., White)	8,776
Sept. 1	Q.P.R. (a)	2-1 (Aizlewood, Hill)	11,000
Sept. 5	Bolton (a)	2-1 (Stein, Aizlewood)	6,911
Sept. 12	Sheff. Wed. (h)	0-3	12,131
Sept. 19	Leicester (a)	2-1 (White 2)	14,153
Sept. 22	Cardiff (h)	2-3 (Saxby, Antic)	9,015
Sept. 26	Watford (h)	4-1 (Moss 2 pens., Stein 2)	12,839
Oct. 3	Orient (a)	3-0 (Aizlewood, Hill, White)	5,084
Oct. 10	Oldham (h)	1-1 (White)	8,403
Oct. 17	Grimsby (h)	6-0 (White 4, Moss Pen., Fucillo)	9,090
Oct. 24	Wrexham (a)	2-0 (White, Donaghy)	4,069
Oct. 31	C. Palace (h)	1-0 (Moss pen.)	11,712
Nov. 7	Derby (h)	3-2 (Moss, Goodyear, Donaghy)	10,784
Nov. 14	Blackburn (a)	1-0 (Moss pen.)	9,862
Nov. 21	Newcastle (a)	2-3 (Moss pen., Donaghy)	21,037
Nov. 24	Bolton (h)	2-0 (Moss, Hill)	8,889
Nov. 28	Rotherham (h)	3-1 (White, Donaghy, Stein)	11,061
Dec. 5	Shrewsbury (a)	2-2 (White, Donaghy)	5,258
Dec. 28	Norwich (a)	3-1 (Antic, White, Stein)	19,348
Jan. 19	Charlton (a)	0-0	7,013
Jan. 30	Leicester (h)	2-1 (White, Donaghy)	11,810
Feb. 6	Sheff. Wed. (a)	3-3 (White, Stein, Moss pen.)	18,012
Feb. 20	Watford (a)	1-1 (Stein)	22,580
Feb. 27	Oldham (h)	2-0 (Moss 2, one pen.)	11,506
Mar. 2	Cambridge (h)	1-0 (Horton)	10,597
Mar. 6	Grimsby (a)	0-0	7,733
Mar. 12	Wrexham (h)	0-0	10,880
Mar. 16	Barnsley (a)	3-4 (Stein 2, o.g.)	14,004
Mar. 20	C. Palace (a)	3-3 (Antic, Moss pen., Stein)	12,001
Mar. 27	Derby (a)	0-0	15,836
Mar. 30	Orient (h)	2-0 (Moss pen., Hill)	9,716
Apr. 3	Blackburn (h)	2-0 (Stein, White)	10,721
Apr. 10	Cambridge (a)	1-1 (Turner)	8,815
Apr. 12	Norwich (h)	2-0 (Stein, Jennings)	15,061
Apr. 17	Newcastle (h)	3-2 (Stein 3, 2 pens.)	13,041
Apr. 20	Chelsea (h)	2-2 (Antic, Donaghy)	16,185
Apr. 24	Rotherham (a)	2-2 (Fucillo, Money)	11,290
Apr. 30	Shrewsbury (h)	4-1 (Stein, Hill, White, Moss)	14,563
May 8	Chelsea (a)	2-1 (Antic, Stein)	15,044
May 11	Q.P.R. (h)	3-2 (Hill, White, Moss pen.)	16,657
May 15	Barnsley (h)	1-1 (Stein)	14,463
May 17	Cardiff (a)	3-2 (Stein 2, Donaghy)	10,277

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And while Horton was only doing his captain's job in making sure no-one became complacent in the Luton camp, it was the prediction of Kenilworth Road penalty king David Moss that had a truer ring.

## Promoted

"We can do it this time. I've told all my friends in America that we'll be promoted to the First Division," he was quoted as saying in 'Match'

"I believe we've been good enough to go up for the past two seasons but somehow we've managed to miss out when the crunch came."

But Moss had faith in new skipper Brian Horton . . . despite his desire to play down Luton's favourite's tag.

"He was the type of player we had been missing — a leader on the field"

So the mould was cast and following that home defeat by Cardiff on September 22, Luton lost just two more matches — going down 3-2 at Newcastle and 4-3 at Barnsley

The writing was on the wall for the rest of the Second Division.

Luton's message was loud and clear: 'Catch us if you can'.

Striker Brian Stein was scoring with free abandon . . . and Steve White and David Moss weren't doing so bad themselves.

The crowds at Kenilworth Road began to build up — 8,776 for the opening game of the season against Charlton, and almost double that come April.



Raddy Antic wheels away in delight after scoring Luton's opener in the 2-2 home draw with Chelsea. One game later the Championship was theirs.

And finally, on the night of April 30, Luton's dream was realised . . .

A 4-1 thumping of Shrewsbury sealed their passage back to the top flight after a seven-year wait.

And, two games later, the Championship everyone had awarded them so early in the campaign was theirs

A 2-1 home win over Chelsea and a 3-2 home win over QPR clinched the coveted trophy.

## Improvement

Now Luton look forward to First Division football once more and an improvement on their last appearance with the big boys when they lasted just one season in 1974-75

Ever cautious, Brian Horton is making no rash predictions . . .

"There may not be that much difference between the two divisions, but the big one is that you are punished for your mistakes in Division One.

"You can get away with the odd error in the lower divisions, but there's no way a team will let you off the hook in the top flight."

After recovering from two broken legs to help Luton back to the top, Lil Fucillo was more enthusiastic: "I think we'll surprise a few people in the First Division. We may not frighten them, but we'll give teams a good game."

An awful lot of Second Division sides will testify to that.



Lil Fucillo — "I think we'll surprise a few people in the First Division."

## LUTON'S TEN YEAR LEAGUE RECORD

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1973-74	Two	2nd
1974-75	One	20th
1975-76	Two	7th
1976-77	Two	6th
1977-78	Two	13th
1978-79	Two	18th
1979-80	Two	6th
1980-81	Two	5th
1981-82	Two	1st
1982-83	One	?

## NEXT WEEK

Spotlight on  
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Ricky Hill — Luton's talented striker



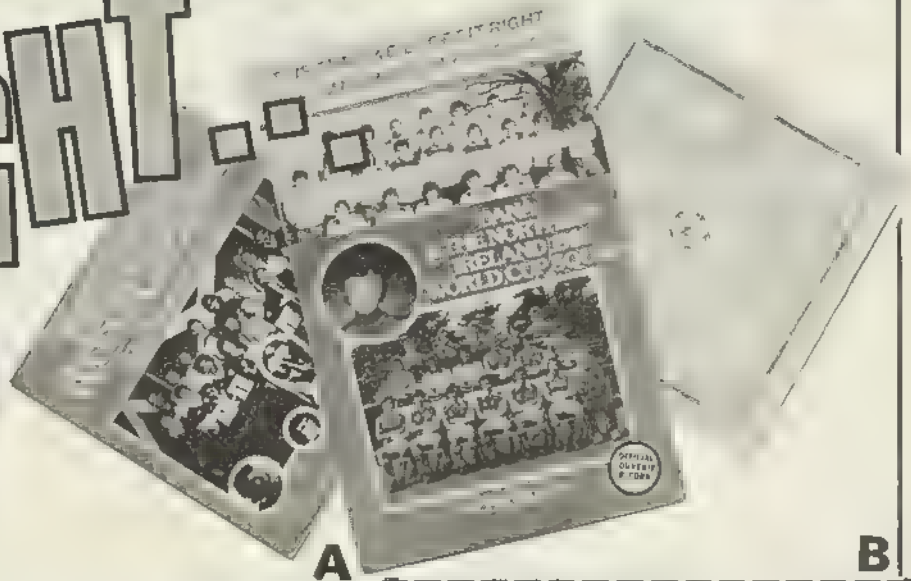
David Moss — his accuracy from the penalty spot played a crucial part in Luton's championship triumph.







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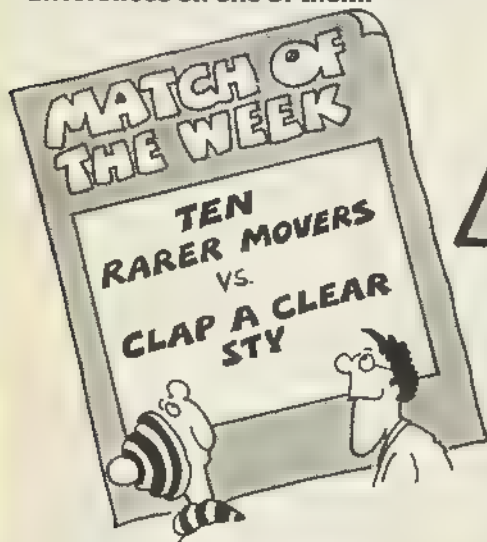
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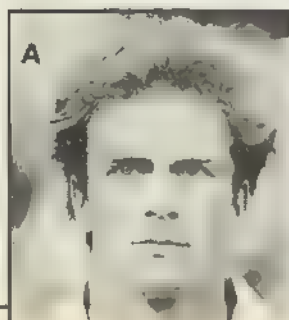


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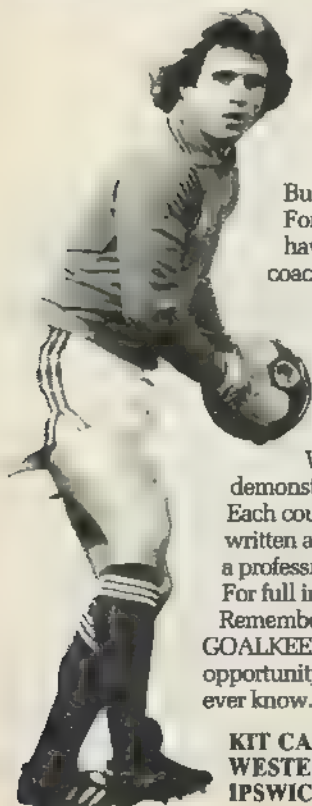
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AS any Liverpool fan will tell you, the League Championship trophy was only 'on loan' to Aston Villa.

Merseyside's 'Super Reds' Liverpool are back on top!

They started favourites but, in January, it was beginning to look as though everyone had got it wrong.

Liverpool were twelfth in the First Division... and ten points behind the then leaders Manchester City.

But in true Anfield style, Bob Paisley's men proved that writing-off Liverpool is the most dangerous game in soccer.

They stormed to the top of the League and once there, never looked like being caught.

Ipswich, runners-up for the second time in succession, were always there biggest danger, but even they couldn't stand the pace as the red tide swept on.

So it was Liverpool's title — for a record thirteenth time.

But the most convincing Champions were Second Division Luton who never looked like missing out on a return to the top flight.

Burnley's table-topping performance in the Third brought memories of the good old days flooding back to Turf Moor and Sheffield United proved that they are one of the best supported teams in the country as they nicked the Fourth Division title... with home crowds of more than 20,000.

On the individual front, 'Match Weekly' columnist and England captain Kevin Keegan had his best ever season for goals as he raced to the coveted title of the First Division's leading scorer — hitting the net 26 times.

And while a number of his goals came from the penalty spot, it was great to see the England skipper in deadly finishing mood.

But the League's leading scorer was Keith Edwards of Sheffield United with an incredible tally of 36.

Bury's Craig Madden always looked like the man to top the charts, but Edwards, with a great run-in to the end of the season, stole the show.

Those two finished well clear of the third best striker, Les Mutrie of Hull, who finished on 27.

# Reds rule the roost!

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PAGE SPECIAL 4



The victorious Liverpool team line up with the League Championship trophy — back at Anfield for a record thirteenth time.

81/82 Round-up

Over the next three pages 'Match' analyses the English League season with lists of leading scorers, a complete guide to every Football League result, hat-trick heroes, penalty kings and facts galore!



'Match Weekly' columnist Kevin Keegan — the First Division's leading scorer with 26 goals.

## Leading scorers in the League

### DIVISION ONE

- 26 — Kevin Keegan (Southampton).
- 22 — Alan Brazil (Ipswich).
- 20 — Mick Harford (Birmingham) (11 with Bristol City).
- 18 — John Wark (Ipswich), Frank Worthington (Leeds) (nine with Birmingham).
- 17 — Ian Rush (Liverpool), Ian McCulloch (Notts County), Cyrille Regis (West Brom).
- 16 — David Cross (West Ham), Les Chapman (Stoke).

### DIVISION TWO

- 22 — Ronnie Moore (Rotherham).
- 21 — Gary Bannister (Sheff. Wed.).
- 20 — Brian Stein (Luton).
- 19 — Keith Houchen (Orient) (18 with Hartlepool), Luther Blissett (Watford).
- 18 — Steve White (Luton), Imre Varadi (Newcastle).
- 17 — Gary Lineker (Leicester), Simon Stainrod (QPR), Ian Atkins (Shrewsbury).

- 16 — Clive Walker (Chelsea), Rodger Wyld (Oldham).

### DIVISION THREE

- 24 — Gordon Davies (Fulham).
- 21 — Tony Kellow (Exeter).
- 20 — Steve Phillips (Southend) (ten with Northampton).
- 18 — John Sims (Plymouth), Alex Bruce (Preston).
- 17 — Billy Rafferty (Portsmouth).
- 16 — Jeff Cook (Plymouth).

### DIVISION FOUR

- 36 — Keith Edwards (Sheff. United) (one with Hull).
- 35 — Craig Madden (Bury).
- 27 — Les Mutrie (Hull).
- 24 — Bobby Campbell (Bradford), Robbie Cooke (Peterborough).
- 23 — Keith Walwyn (York).
- 22 — Kevin Bremner (Colchester).
- 21 — Ian Allinson (Colchester).



# Div 1

Read across for  
home results  
and down for  
away results.

	ARSENAL	ASTON VILLA	BIRMINGHAM	BRIGHTON	COVENTRY	EVERTON	IPSWICH	LEEDS	LIVERPOOL	MAN. CITY	MAN. UTD	MIDDLESBRO	NOTT'M FOR	NOTTS COUNTY	SOUTHAMPTON	STOKE	SUNDERLAND	SWANSEA	TOTTENHAM	WEST BROM	WEST HAM	WOLVES
ARSENAL	—	4-3	1-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	0-0	1-0	2-0	1-0	4-1	0-1	1-1	0-2	1-3	2-2	2-0	2-1
ASTON VILLA	0-2	—	0-0	3-0	2-1	1-2	0-1	1-4	0-3	0-0	1-1	1-0	3-1	0-1	1-1	2-2	1-0	3-0	1-1	2-1	3-2	3-1
BIRMINGHAM	0-1	0-1	—	1-0	3-3	0-2	1-1	0-1	0-1	3-0	0-1	0-0	4-3	2-1	4-0	2-1	2-0	2-1	0-0	3-3	2-2	0-3
BRIGHTON	2-1	0-1	1-1	—	2-2	3-1	0-1	1-0	3-3	4-1	0-1	2-0	0-1	2-2	1-1	0-0	2-1	1-1	1-3	2-2	1-0	2-0
COVENTRY	1-0	1-1	0-1	0-1	—	1-0	2-4	4-0	1-2	0-1	2-1	1-1	0-1	1-5	4-2	3-0	6-1	3-1	0-0	0-2	1-0	0-0
EVERTON	2-1	2-0	3-1	1-1	3-2	—	2-1	1-0	1-3	0-1	3-3	2-0	2-1	3-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	3-1	1-1	1-0	0-0	1-1
IPSWICH	2-1	3-1	3-2	3-1	1-0	3-0	—	2-1	2-0	2-0	2-1	3-1	1-3	1-3	5-2	2-0	3-3	2-3	2-1	1-0	3-2	1-0
LEEDS	0-0	1-1	3-3	2-1	0-0	1-1	0-2	—	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-0	1-3	0-0	1-0	2-0	0-0	3-1	3-3	3-0
LIVERPOOL	2-0	0-0	3-1	0-1	4-0	3-1	4-0	3-0	—	1-3	1-2	1-1	2-0	1-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-2	3-1	1-0	3-0	2-1
MAN. CITY	0-0	1-0	4-2	4-0	1-3	1-1	1-1	4-0	0-5	—	0-0	3-2	0-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	2-3	4-0	0-1	2-1	0-1	2-1
MAN. UTD	0-0	4-1	1-1	2-0	0-1	1-1	1-2	1-0	0-1	1-1	—	1-0	0-0	2-1	1-0	2-0	0-0	1-0	2-0	1-0	1-0	5-0
MIDDLESBRO	1-3	3-3	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	—	1-1	3-0	0-1	3-2	0-0	1-1	1-3	1-0	2-3	0-0	—
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STOKE	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-0	4-0	3-1	2-0	1-2	1-5	1-3	0-3	2-0	1-2	2-2	0-2	—	0-1	1-2	0-2	3-0	2-1	2-1
SUNDERLAND	0-0	2-1	2-0	3-0	0-0	3-1	1-1	0-1	0-2	1-0	1-5	0-2	2-3	1-1	2-0	0-2	—	0-1	0-2	1-2	0-2	0-0
SWANSEA	2-0	2-1	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-3	1-2	5-1	2-0	2-0	2-0	1-2	1-2	3-2	1-0	3-0	2-0	—	2-1	3-1	0-1	0-0
TOTTENHAM	2-2	1-3	1-1	0-1	1-2	3-0	1-0	2-1	2-2	2-0	3-1	1-0	3-0	3-1	3-2	2-0	2-2	2-1	—	1-2	0-4	6-1
WEST BROM	0-2	0-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	0-0	1-2	2-0	1-1	0-1	0-3	2-0	2-1	2-4	1-1	1-2	2-3	4-1	1-0	—	0-0	3-0
WEST HAM	1-2	2-2	2-2	1-1	5-2	1-1	2-0	4-3	1-1	1-1	1-1	3-2	0-1	1-0	4-2	3-2	1-1	1-1	2-2	3-1	—	3-1
WOLVES	1-1	0-3	1-1	0-1	1-0	0-3	2-1	1-0	1-0	4-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	3-2	0-0	2-0	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-2	2-1	—

# FOOTBALL LEAGUE

## Div 3

	BRENTFORD	BRISTOL CITY	BRISTOL ROVS	BURNLEY	CARLISLE	CHESTER	CHESTERFIELD	DONCASTER	EXETER	FULHAM	GILLINGHAM	HUDDERSFIELD	LINCOLN	MILLWALL	NEWPORT	OXFORD	PLYMOUTH	PORTSMOUTH	PRESTON	READING	SOUTHEND	SWINDON	WALSALL	WIMBLEDON
BRENTFORD	—	0-1	1-0	0-0	1-2	1-0	2-0	2-2	2-0	0-1	0-1	0-1	3-1	4-1	2-0	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-0	1-2	0-1	4-2	0-0	2-3
BRISTOL CITY	0-1	—	1-2	2-3	1-1	1-0	0-0	2-2	3-2	0-0	2-1	0-0	0-1	4-1	2-1	0-2	3-2	0-1	0-0	2-0	0-2	0-3	0-1	1-3
BRISTOL ROVERS	1-2	1-0	—	2-1	0-1	2-2	1-0	3-0	3-2	1-2	2-0	3-2	0-2	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-3	1-1	2-0	1-1	2-1	1-4	2-1	2-2
BURNLEY	0-0	2-0	4-0	—	1-0	1-0	1-1	0-1	3-3	2-2	1-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	2-1	2-1	1-0	3-0	2-0	3-0	3-5	0-2	2-1	2-2
CARLISLE	1-0	2-2	1-2	1-0	—	3-0	3-0	2-0	3-2	1-2	2-0	2-2	1-0	2-1	2-2	2-1	3-1	2-0	1-0	2-1	3-2	1-1	2-1	2-1
CHESTER	1-2	0-0	1-1	0-1	0-1	—	0-2	1-1	0-2	0-2	0-0	3-1	1-2	0-0	0-2	2-2	0-3	3-2	0-1	2-3	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1
CHESTERFIELD	0-2	1-0	2-0	1-2	1-0	3-5	—	3-1	2-1	3-0	1-3	1-0	0-2	0-1	1-0	2-2	2-2	2-2	0-0	2-1	1-2	2-1	1-0	2-0
DONCASTER	1-0	2-2	4-2	0-1	1-1	4-3	0-0	—	3-0	2-1	1-1	1-2	4-1	1-0	0-2	1-1	2-2	0-0	1-0	0-1	1-1	0-0	1-0	1-3
EXETER	3-1	4-0	1-3	2-1	2-1	3-0	0-3	2-1	—	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-2	5-4	1-0	1-2	1-1	3-3	4-3	4-3	1-1	1-2	2-0	2-1
FULHAM	1-2	2-1	4-1	1-1	4-1	2-0	1-0	3-1	4-1	—	0-0	2-2	1-1	0-0	3-1	0-0	1-3	1-1	3-0	2-2	2-1	2-0	1-1	4-1
GILLINGHAM	1-1	1-1	2-0	3-1	0-0	0-1	3-2	3-0	2-3	2-0	—	3-2	1-0	1-1	1-1	2-1	3-2	4-2	0-2	2-1	2-0	1-0	1-4	6-1
HUDDERSFIELD	1-1	5-0	0-2	1-2	2-1	1-2	1-1	1-2	1-1	1-0	2-0	—	0-2	1-2	2-0	2-0	0-0	0-1	2-3	6-1	3-2	3-0	2-1	1-1
LINCOLN	1-0	1-2	1-0	1-1	0-0	3-0	2-1	5-0	2-0	1-1	2-0	2-0	—	0-1	2-2	2-1	2-0	1-1	1-2	2-1	1-1	2-0	1-1	5-1
MILLWALL	0-1	2-0	0-0	4-3	1-2	2-1	3-2	0-2	5-1	4-3	1-2	1-3	1-1	—	1-0	1-2	2-1	1-0	2-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	2-0	2-1
NEWPORT	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	2-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-3	4-2	1-0	0-0	1-1	—	3-2	0-1	1-1	1-1	3-1	3-2	1-0	2-2	0-0
OXFORD	1-2	1-0	1-1	0-0	2-1	3-1	1-1	3-1	0-0	2-0	1-1	1-0	1-1	0-0	1-1	—	1-0	0-2	3-0	1-0	0-2	5-0	0-1	0-3
PLYMOUTH	1-0	2-1	4-0	1-1	1-0	5-1	0-2	4-2	2-1	3-1	1-2	1-1	0-2	2-1	1-2	0-1	—	0-0	0-3	1-1	0-0	2-1	4-1	2-0
PORTSMOUTH	2-2	2-0	0-0	1-2	1-2	2-0	6-1	0-0	2-0	1-1	1-0	2-1	1-1	2-2	0-0	1-1	1-0	—	1-1	3-0	0-0	3-0	1-0	1-0
PRESTON	1-3	1-3	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-1	2-0	3-1	1-0	1-3	1-1	1-1	1-1	1-0	2-1	2-2	1-0	1-0	—	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	3-2
READING	4-1	3-1	0-3	1-1	2-2	4-1	0-2	3-3	4-0	0-2	3-2	1-2	2-3	4-0	2-1	0-3	2-2	2-1	2-1	—	0-2	1-1	0-0	2-1
SOUTHEND	1-1	3-0	1-0	1-4	1-1	2-0	0-2	1-1	2-1	0-0	3-0	4-0	0-2	2-2	0-4	0-1	3-0	2-0	2-2	2-0	—	0-0	3-2	2-0
SWINDON	0-3	0-0	5-2	1-2	2-1	3-0	1-2	2-2	3-2	1-4	0-1	1-5	1-0	1-2	1-1	3-2	0-2	2-2	4-0	0-2	0-0	—	2-2	4-1
WALSALL	3-0	0-1	2-1	1-1	1-1	2-1	1-1	0-0	2-1	1-1	1-0	1-1	2-1	1-1	3-1	1-3	0-1	3-1	0-3	1-2	0-1	5-0	—	1-0
WIMBLEDON	1-2	0-0	1-0	0-0	3-1	1-0	3-1	0-1	1-1	1-3	0-2	2-0	1-1	1-3	2-3	2-3	2-1	3-2	3-2	0-0	3-0	1-1	2-0	—



# Div 2

	BARNLEY	BLACKBURN	BOLTON	CARDIFF	CAMBRIDGE	CHARLTON	CHELSEA	C. PALACE	DERBY	GRIMSBY	LEICESTER	LUTON	NEWCASTLE	NORWICH	OLDHAM	ORIENT	Q.P.R.	ROTHERHAM	SHEFF WED	SHREWSBURY	WATFORD	WREXHAM
BARNLEY	—	0-1	3-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	2-1	2-0	0-0	3-2	0-2	4-3	1-0	0-1	3-1	1-0	3-0	3-0	1-0	4-0	0-0	2-2
BLACKBURN	2-1	—	0-2	1-0	1-0	0-2	1-1	1-0	4-1	2-0	0-2	0-1	4-1	3-0	3-0	2-0	2-1	2-0	2-1	0-0	1-2	0-0
BOLTON	2-1	2-2	—	1-0	3-4	2-0	2-2	0-0	3-2	1-2	0-3	1-2	1-0	0-1	0-2	1-0	1-0	0-1	3-1	1-1	2-0	2-0
CARDIFF	0-0	1-3	2-1	—	5-4	0-1	1-2	0-1	1-0	2-1	3-1	2-3	0-4	1-0	0-1	2-1	1-2	1-2	0-2	1-1	2-0	3-2
CAMBRIDGE	2-1	1-0	2-1	2-1	—	4-0	1-0	0-0	1-2	2-2	1-2	1-1	1-0	1-2	0-0	2-0	1-0	3-0	1-2	2-0	1-2	2-3
CHARLTON	2-1	2-0	1-0	2-2	0-0	—	3-4	2-1	2-1	2-0	1-4	0-0	0-1	0-0	3-1	5-2	1-2	1-2	3-0	1-0	1-1	1-0
CHELSEA	1-2	1-1	2-0	1-0	4-1	2-2	—	1-2	0-2	1-1	4-1	1-2	2-1	2-1	2-2	2-2	2-1	1-4	2-1	3-1	1-3	2-0
C. PALACE	1-2	1-2	1-0	1-0	2-1	2-0	0-1	—	0-1	0-3	0-2	3-3	1-2	2-1	4-0	1-0	0-0	3-1	1-2	0-1	0-3	2-1
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LEICESTER	1-0	1-0	1-0	3-1	4-1	3-1	1-1	1-1	2-1	1-2	—	1-2	3-0	1-4	2-1	0-1	3-2	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-0
LUTON	1-1	2-0	2-0	2-3	1-0	3-0	2-2	1-0	3-2	6-0	2-1	—	3-2	2-0	2-0	2-0	3-2	3-1	0-3	4-1	4-1	0-0
NEWCASTLE	1-0	0-0	2-0	2-1	1-0	4-1	1-0	0-0	3-0	0-1	0-0	3-2	—	2-1	2-0	1-0	0-4	1-1	1-0	2-0	0-1	4-2
NORWICH	1-1	2-0	0-0	2-1	2-1	5-0	2-1	1-0	4-1	2-1	0-0	1-3	2-1	—	1-2	2-0	0-1	2-0	2-3	2-1	4-2	4-0
OLDHAM	1-1	0-0	1-1	2-2	2-0	1-0	1-0	0-0	1-1	3-1	1-1	1-1	3-1	2-0	—	3-2	2-0	0-3	0-3	1-1	1-1	2-1
ORIENT	1-3	0-0	3-0	1-1	0-0	1-1	0-2	0-0	3-2	1-2	3-0	0-3	1-0	1-1	0-3	—	1-1	1-2	3-0	2-0	1-2	0-0
Q.P.R.	1-0	2-0	7-1	2-0	2-1	4-0	0-2	1-0	3-0	1-0	2-0	1-2	3-0	2-0	0-0	3-0	—	1-1	2-0	2-1	0-0	1-1
ROTHERHAM	2-4	4-1	2-0	1-0	1-0	2-1	6-0	2-0	2-1	2-2	1-1	2-2	0-0	4-1	1-2	1-0	1-0	—	2-2	3-0	1-2	2-0
SHEFF WED	2-2	2-2	0-1	2-1	2-1	1-1	0-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	2-0	3-3	2-1	2-1	2-1	2-0	1-3	2-0	—	0-0	3-1	0-3
SHREWSBURY	0-2	1-2	2-0	1-1	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	4-1	2-0	1-1	2-2	0-0	0-2	2-1	2-0	2-1	2-1	0-1	—	0-2	1-1
WATFORD	3-1	3-2	3-0	0-0	0-0	2-2	1-0	1-1	6-1	0-2	3-1	1-1	2-3	3-0	1-1	3-0	4-0	1-0	4-0	3-1	—	2-0
WREXHAM	0-0	1-0	2-1	3-1	0-0	1-0	1-0	0-1	1-1	2-0	0-0	0-2	4-2	2-3	0-3	0-1	1-3	3-2	0-1	1-0	0-1	—

# RESULTS 1981-82

## Div 4

	ALDERSHOT	BLACKPOOL	BOURNEMOUTH	BRADFORD C.	BURY	COLCHESTER	CREWE	DARLINGTON	HALIFAX	HARTLEPOOL	HEREFORD	HULL	MANSFIELD	NORTHAMPTON	PETERBOROUGH	PORT VALE	ROCHDALE	SCUNTHORPE	SHEFF. UTD.	STOCKPORT	TORQUAY	TRANMERE	WIGAN	YORK
ALDERSHOT	—	3-2	2-0	0-2	1-2	1-1	3-0	0-0	3-1	1-2	2-2	0-3	2-3	2-1	0-1	1-2	2-2	4-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	2-1	2-0	0-1
BLACKPOOL	0-2	—	0-3	1-0	1-1	0-0	5-0	1-0	7-1	2-2	1-0	3-1	2-3	1-0	2-2	2-3	1-1	2-0	0-1	2-0	2-1	1-2	1-2	3-1
BOURNEMOUTH	2-2	1-0	—	0-2	3-2	1-1	2-0	2-0	1-1	5-1	1-1	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	1-0	2-0	0-0	1-0	4-0	1-1	0-0	5-1
BRADFORD C.	4-1	1-0	2-2	—	1-1	2-1	4-1	3-0	5-2	1-0	0-0	1-1	3-4	2-1	2-0	1-0	2-0	0-0	0-2	5-1	3-1	1-1	3-3	6-2
BURY	1-1	0-1	2-2	1-1	—	4-3	2-1	2-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-2	3-2	7-1	3-1	3-2	3-0	4-0	1-1	2-0	0-1	4-0	5-3	3-1
COLCHESTER	1-1	2-1	1-2	1-2	1-1	—	1-1	1-0	1-1	3-3	4-0	2-0	0-1	5-1	1-1	1-0	3-2	2-1	5-2	0-1	3-0	4-0	1-2	4-0
CREWE	2-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-2	1-3	—	1-0	0-1	1-2	1-0	1-1	0-2	2-2	0-1	0-2	1-2	3-0	2-3	0-2	0-1	1-1	0-1	1-1
DARLINGTON	0-1	2-2	0-1	1-5	2-3	1-2	1-0	—	1-1	5-2	0-1	2-1	1-0	3-0	0-0	1-1	2-0	4-1	0-2	2-0	1-1	1-2	3-1	3-1
HALIFAX	2-2	0-0	1-1	0-0	2-1	0-2	2-1	3-3	—	2-0	1-2	2-2	2-1	2-1	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	1-5	4-1	1-2	0-2	0-0	0-0
HARTLEPOOL	2-2	2-2	1-1	0-2	1-0	1-3	1-2	1-2	3-2	—	2-1	3-2	3-0	3-1	0-1	3-1	1-1	3-3	2-3	2-2	0-0	0-0	2-1	3-2
HEREFORD	0-1	2-1	1-2	1-2	3-0	2-2	4-1	1-1	2-2	1-1	—	2-2	3-1	2-1	2-1	1-0	0-0	2-1	1-1	0-0	0-3	1-1	3-0	2-1
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MANSFIELD	1-0	2-2	0-1	0-2	1-1	1-3	0-1	2-3	3-2	3-2	2-1	3-3	—	4-1	1-2	1-3	4-3	1-1	1-1	2-2	3-1	3-0	1-2	0-2
NORTHAMPTON	0-0	0-1	1-0	0-2	1-0	1-2	3-0	0-1	0-1	2-1	2-3	1-1	1-1	—	1-0	3-5	2-1	1-1	1-2	0-0	2-0	3-2	2-3	5-0
PETERBOROUGH	7-1	3-1	1-0	2-0	1-0	2-2	3-0	3-1	0-0	4-4	3-1	3-0	1-0	1-0	—	1-0	5-1	2-1	0-4	2-0	1-0	1-2	0-3	0-1
PORT VALE	1-0	2-0	1-1	1-1	0-0	2-1	0-0	2-2	0-0	5-2	1-1	2-1	0-0	1-0	1-3	—	1-1	2-1	0-2	1-0	2-0	0-0	1-1	0-0
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SCUNTHORPE	1-1	1-1	0-2	1-3	2-2	2-1	0-1	1-1	0-0	2-1	2-2	4-4	1-0	2-1	0-1	0-0	1-0	—	2-1	0-0	0-2	2-1	2-7	0-3
SHEFF. UTD.	2-0	3-1	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-0	4-0	0-0	2-2	1-1	2-2	0-0	4-1	7-3	4-0	2-1	3-1	1-0	—	4-0	4-1	2-0	1-0	4-0
STOCKPORT	4-2	2-3	1-2	2-3	2-1	0-0	2-0	1-0	2-1	0-2	1-1	1-2	3-0	0-0	3-0	1-2	0-4	1-1	1-0	—	2-1	1-1	0-1	4-1
TORQUAY	2-1	1-1	1-2	2-0	1-1	1-0	1-1	1-2	2-2	1-1	1-2	2-1	2-0	2-2	1-2	0-1	2-1	1-0	1-1	1-0	—	1-2	0-0	3-2
TRANMERE	1-0	3-1	0-1	1-1	1-3	2-1	3-0	1-1	1-1	1-0	0-0	2-2	2-2	0-2	1-2	1-2	2-0	0-1	2-2	2-0	1-1	—	0-0	0-2
WIGAN	1-0	2-1	0-0	4-1	3-2	3-2	3-0	2-1	2-0	1-1	1-1	2-1	3-1	3-1	5-0	2-0	1-1	2-1	0-1	2-1	1-0	0-0	—	4-2
YORK	4-0	0-4	0-1	0-3	0-0	3-0	6-0	2-2	4-0	1-2	3-4	1-3	2-1	2-1	4-3	2-0	1-2	3-1	3-4	2-2	1-1	1-3	0-0	—



## DIVISION ONE

	HOME					AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Liverpool	42	14	3	4	39 14	12	6	3	4	18 8	87
Ipswich	42	17	1	3	47 25	9	4	8	28	28	83
Man. United	42	12	6	3	27 9	10	6	5	32	20	78
Tottenham	42	12	4	5	41 26	8	7	6	26	22	71
Arsenal	42	13	5	3	27 15	7	5	8	21	22	71
Swansea	42	13	3	5	34 16	8	3	10	24	35	69
Southampton	42	15	2	4	49 30	4	7	10	23	37	66
Everton	42	11	7	3	33 21	6	6	9	23	29	64
West Ham	42	9	10	2	42 29	5	6	10	24	28	58
Man. City	42	9	7	5	32 23	6	6	9	17	27	58
Aston Villa	42	9	6	6	28 24	6	6	9	27	29	57
Nott'm Forest	42	7	7	7	19 20	8	5	8	23	28	57
Brighton	42	8	7	5	30 24	5	5	10	13	28	52
Coventry	42	9	4	8	31 24	4	7	10	25	38	50
Notts County	42	8	5	8	32 33	5	3	13	29	36	47
Birmingham	42	8	6	7	29 25	2	8	11	24	36	44
West Brom	42	6	6	9	24 25	5	5	11	22	32	44
Stoke	42	9	2	10	27 28	3	6	12	17	35	44
Sunderland	42	6	5	10	19 26	5	6	10	19	32	44
Leeds	42	6	11	4	23 20	4	1	16	16	41	42
Wolves	42	8	5	8	19 20	2	5	14	13	43	40
Middlesbrough	42	5	9	7	20 24	3	6	12	14	28	38

## FINAL TABLES

### DIVISION TWO

	HOME					AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Luton	42	16	3	2	48 19	9	10	2	38	27	88
Watford	42	13	6	2	46 16	10	5	6	30	26	80
Norwich	42	14	3	4	41 19	8	2	11	23	31	71
Sheff. Wed.	42	10	8	3	31 23	10	2	9	24	28	70
Q.P.R.	42	15	4	2	40 9	6	2	13	25	34	69
Barnsley	42	13	4	4	33 14	6	6	9	26	27	67
Rotherham	42	13	5	3	42 19	7	2	12	24	35	67
Leicester	42	12	5	4	31 19	6	7	8	25	29	66
Newcastle	42	14	4	3	30 14	4	4	13	22	36	62
Blackburn	42	11	4	6	26 15	5	7	9	21	28	59
Oldham	42	9	9	3	28 23	6	5	10	22	28	59
Chelsea	42	10	5	6	37 30	5	7	9	23	30	57
Charlton	42	11	5	5	33 22	2	7	12	17	43	51
Cambridge	42	11	4	6	31 19	2	5	14	17	34	48
C. Palace	42	9	2	10	25 26	4	7	10	9	19	48
Derby	42	9	8	4	32 23	3	4	14	21	45	48
Grimsby	42	5	8	8	29 30	6	5	10	24	35	46
Shrewsbury	42	10	6	5	26 19	1	7	13	11	38	46
Bolton	42	10	4	7	28 24	3	3	15	11	37	46
Cardiff	42	9	2	10	28 32	3	6	12	17	29	44
Wrexham	42	9	4	8	22 22	2	7	12	18	34	44
Orient	42	6	8	7	23 24	4	1	16	13	37	39

### DIVISION THREE

	HOME					AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Burnley	46	13	7	3	37 20	8	10	5	29	25	80
Carlisle	46	17	4	2	44 21	6	7	10	21	29	80
Fulham	46	12	9	2	44 22	9	6	8	33	29	78
Lincoln	46	13	7	3	40 16	8	7	8	26	24	77
Oxford	46	10	8	5	28 18	9	6	8	35	31	71
Gillingham	46	14	5	4	44 26	6	6	11	20	30	71
Southend	46	11	7	5	35 23	7	8	6	28	28	69
Brentford	46	8	6	9	28 22	11	5	7	28	25	68
Millwall	46	12	4	7	36 28	6	9	8	26	34	67
Plymouth	46	12	5	6	37 24	6	6	11	27	32	65
Chesterfield	46	12	4	7	33 27	6	6	11	24	31	64
Reading	46	11	6	6	43 35	6	5	12	24	40	62
Portsmouth	46	11	10	2	33 14	3	9	11	23	37	61
Preston	46	10	7	6	25 22	6	6	11	25	34	61
Bristol Rovers	46	12	4	7	35 28	6	5	12	23	37	61
Newport	46	9	10	4	28 21	5	6	12	26	33	58
Huddersfield	46	10	5	8	38 25	5	7	11	26	34	57
Exeter	46	14	4	5	46 33	2	5	16	25	51	57
Doncaster	46	9	9	5	31 24	4	8	11	24	44	56
Walsall	46	10	7	6	32 23	3	7	13	19	32	53
Wimbledon	46	10	6	7	33 27	4	5	14	28	48	53
Swindon	46	9	5	9	37 36	4	8	11	18	35	52
Bristol City	46	7	6	10	24 29	4	7	12	16	36	46
Chester	46	2	10	11	16 30	5	1	17	20	48	32

### DIVISION FOUR

	HOME					AWAY					
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A	Pts
Sheff. United	46	15	8	0	53 15	12	7	4	41	26	96
Bradford	46	14	7	2	52 23	12	6	5	36	22	91
Wigan	46	17	5	1	47 18	9	8	6	33	28	91
Bournemouth	46	12	10	1	37 15	11	9	3	25	15	88
Peterborough	46	16	3	4	46 22	8	7	8	25	35	82
Colchester	46	12	6	5	47 23	8	6	9	35	34	72
Port Vale	46	9	12	2	26 17	9	4	10	30	32	70
Hull City	46	14	3	6	36 23	5	9	9	34	38	69
Bury	46	13	7	3	53 26	4	10	9	27	33	68
Hereford	46	10	9	4	36 25	6	10	7	28	33	67
Tranmere	46	7	9	7	27 25	7	9	7	24	31	60
Blackpool	46	11	5	7	40 26	4	8	11	25	34	58
Darlington	46	10	5	8	36 28	5	8	10	25	34	58
Hartlepool	46	9	8	6	39 34	4	8	11	34	50	55
Torquay	46	9	8	6	30 25	5	4	13	16	33	55
Aldershot	46	8	7	8	34 29	5	8	10	23	39	54
York	46	9	5	9	45 37	5	3	15	24	54	50
Stockport	46	10	5	8	34 28	2	8	13	14	39	49
Halifax	46	6	11	6	28 30	3	11	9	23	42	49
Mansfield	46	8	6	9	39 39	5	4	14	24	42	49
Rochdale	46	7	9	7	26 22	3	7	13	24	40	46
Northampton	46	9	5	9	32 27	2	4	17	25	57	42
Scunthorpe	46	7	9	7	26 35	2	6	15	17	44	42
Crewe	46	3	6	14	19 32	3	3	17	10	52	27

# Brazil takes five

IPSWICH striker Alan Brazil was the only player to score five goals in a League match last season.

The Scottish international achieved the feat in Town's 5-2 home defeat of Southampton in February.

Five other players scored four goals in a League match, including West Ham's David Cross for the second successive season.

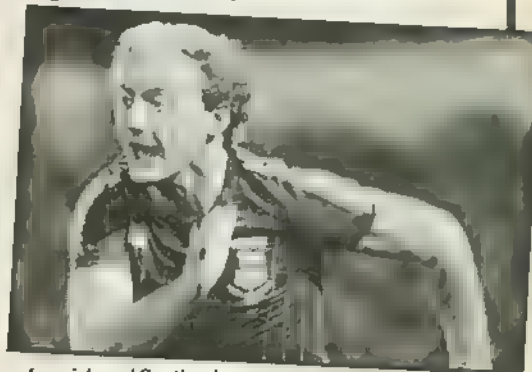
His quartet came in the 4-0 hammering of Tottenham at White Hart Lane in the opening weeks of the season.

The other four-goal men were Luton's Steve White (against Grimsby), Hull's Les Mutrie (v Hartlepool), Darlington's Alan Walsh (v Hartlepool) and Bradford City's David McNiven (v Crewe).

Five players collected two League hat-tricks.

They were West Brom's Cyrille Regis (against Swansea and Birmingham),

Peterborough's Robbie Cooke (against Rochdale and Hartlepool), Wigan's Eamon O'Keefe (against Crewe and Hartlepool), Bury's Craig Madden (against Northampton and Tranmere) and Chelsea's Clive Walker (against Shrewsbury and Grimsby).



Ipswich and Scotland striker Alan Brazil — the only player to score five goals in a League match last season.

81/82  
Round-up

## PENALTY KINGS

WEST Ham full-back Ray Stewart and Luton winger David Moss were the penalty kings of the Football League last season.

They shared the honour with ten League penalties each, one ahead of Sheffield United's long-serving midfielder player Tony Kenworthy.

Here's a list of the leading penalty takers in the League last season.

- 10 — Ray Stewart (West Ham), David Moss (Luton)
- 9 — Tony Kenworthy (Sheff. United)
- 8 — Kevin Keegan (Southampton), Tony Kellow (Exeter), Luther Blissett (Watford)
- 7 — Bob Doyle (Portsmouth)
- 6 — George Shipley (Lincoln), Tommy Tynan (Newport), Neil Webb (Reading), Barry Gallagher (Bradford), Ian Allison (Colchester), Steve Lynx (Leicester), Nick Chatterton (Millwall)

## MOST OF FEWEST BIGGEST SMALLEST

### MOST LEAGUE POINTS

96 — Sheffield United

### MOST GOALS

94 — Sheffield United

### MOST WINS

27 — Sheffield United

### MOST DRAWS

22 — Halifax

### MOST GOALS CONCEDED

91 — York City

### FEWEST GOALS CONCEDED

29 — Man. United

### MOST HOME WINS

17 — Ipswich

### MOST HOME DRAWS

12 — Port Vale

### MOST HOME DEFEATS

14 — Crewe

### MOST HOME GOALS

53 — Bury, Sheffield United

### MOST HOME GOALS CONCEDED

37 — York City

### FEWEST HOME GOALS

16 — Chester

### FEWEST HOME GOALS CONCEDED

9 — Man. United

### FEWEST HOME WINS

2 — Chester

### FEWEST HOME DRAWS

1 — Ipswich

### FEWEST HOME DEFEATS

0 — Sheffield United

### BIGGEST LEAGUE CROWD

57,872 Man. United v Man. City

### SMALLEST LEAGUE CROWD

1,034 Chester v Bristol City

### BIGGEST LEAGUE WIN

7-1 Q.P.R. (v Bolton)

Blackpool (v Halifax)

Bury (v Northampton)

Peterborough (v Aldershot)

### BIGGEST AWAY WIN

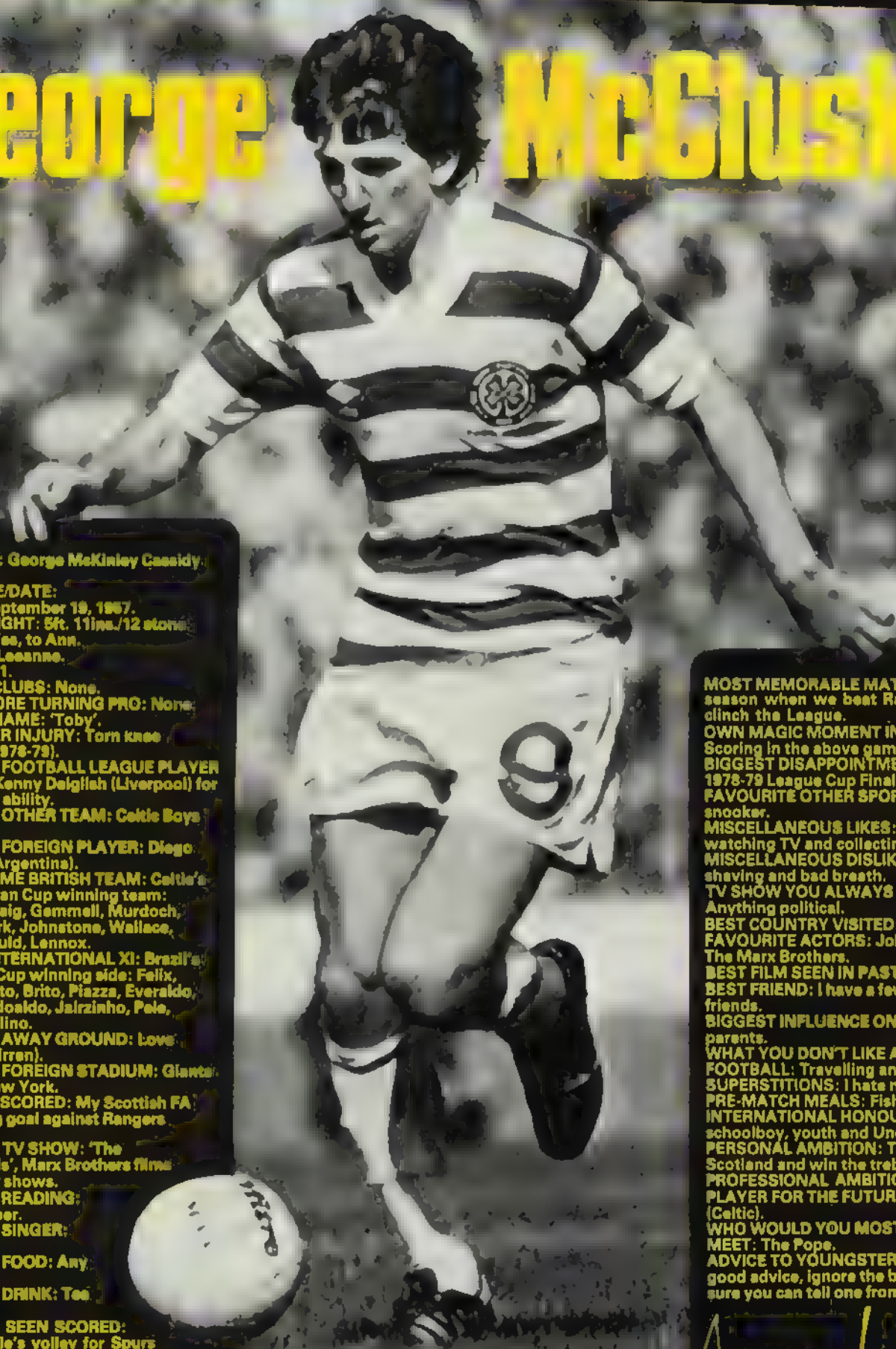
7-2 Wigan (at Scunthorpe)

### MOST AWAY WINS



**SPOTLIGHT ON THE CELTIC STRIKER WHO TOPPED  
THE SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION'S SCORING CHART**

# George McCluskey



**FULL NAME:** George McKinley Cassidy McCluskey.  
**BIRTHPLACE/DATE:** Hamilton/September 19, 1967.  
**HEIGHT/WEIGHT:** 5ft. 11ins./12 stone.  
**MARRIED:** Yes, to Ann.  
**CHILDREN:** Leeanne.  
**CAR:** Fiat 131.  
**PREVIOUS CLUBS:** None.  
**TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO:** None.  
**CLUB NICKNAME:** 'Toby'.  
**WORST EVER INJURY:** Torn knee ligaments (1978-79).  
**FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY:** Kenny Dalglish (Liverpool) for his all round ability.  
**FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM:** Celtic Boys Club.  
**FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER:** Diego Maradona (Argentina).  
**BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM:** Celtic's 1967 European Cup winning team: Simpson, Craig, Gammell, Murdoch, McNeill, Clark, Johnstone, Wallace, Chalmers, Auld, Lennox.  
**ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI:** Brazil's 1970 World Cup winning side: Felix, Carlos Alberto, Brito, Piazza, Everaldo, Gerson, Clodoaldo, Jairzinho, Pele, Tostao, Rivelino.  
**FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND:** Love Street (St Mirren).  
**FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM:** Giants Stadium, New York.  
**BEST GOAL SCORED:** My Scottish FA Cup winning goal against Rangers (1979-80).  
**FAVOURITE TV SHOW:** 'The Professionals', Marx Brothers films and comedy shows.  
**FAVOURITE READING:** Morning paper.  
**FAVOURITE SINGER:** Dean Park.  
**FAVOURITE FOOD:** Any soup.  
**FAVOURITE DRINK:** Tea and milk.  
**BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED:** Glenn Hoddle's volley for Spurs against Manchester United, League Cup, 1979 (featured in last week's 'Match').  
**MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT:** Bria of Juventus.

**MOST MEMORABLE MATCH:** 1978-79 season when we beat Rangers 4-2 to clinch the League.  
**OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL:** Scoring in the above game.  
**BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT:** Losing the 1978-79 League Cup Final to Rangers.  
**FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS:** Golf and snooker.  
**MISCELLANEOUS LIKES:** Sleeping, watching TV and collecting my wages!  
**MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES:** Smoking, shaving and bad breath.  
**TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF:** Anything political.  
**BEST COUNTRY VISITED:** America.  
**FAVOURITE ACTORS:** John Wayne and The Marx Brothers.  
**BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR:** Rocky 2.  
**BEST FRIEND:** I have a few very close friends.  
**BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:** My parents.  
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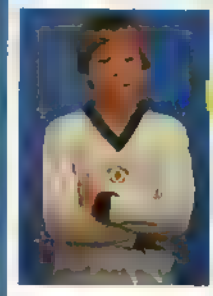
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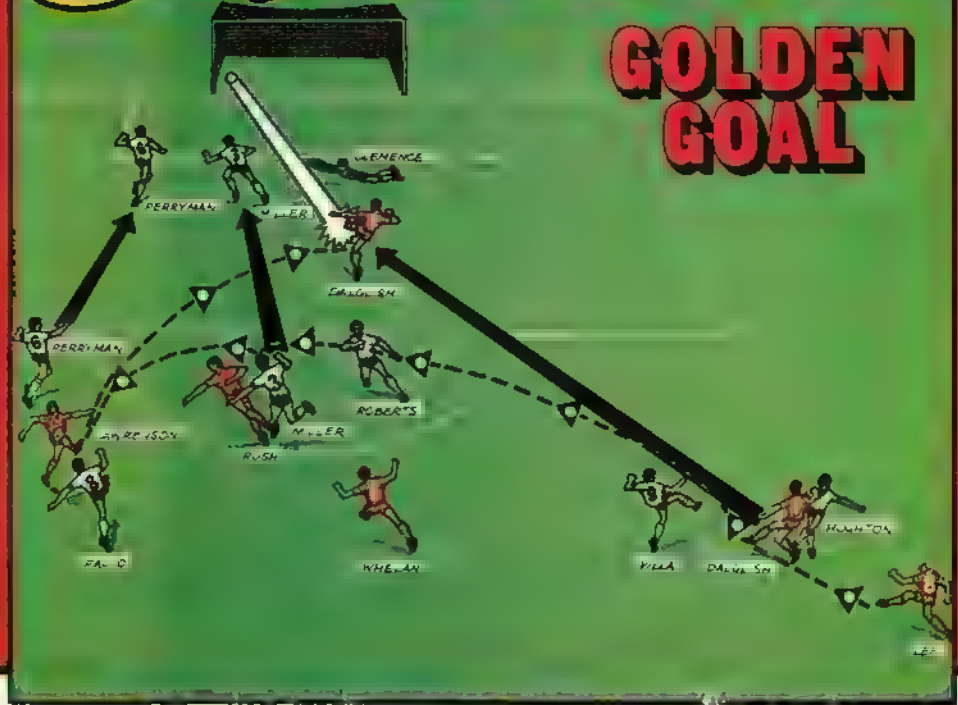
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Proud Liverpool manager Bob Paisley beams out from behind the trophy which is back at Anfield for the thirteenth time.

# Champions!

## KENNY'S CLINCHER

Kenny Dalglish (Liverpool) v Tottenham, Div. One, Anfield, Sat., May 15

It was only fitting that the King of the Kop — Kenny Dalglish — should make sure that the League Championship went back to Anfield for the fifth time in seven years. The Scottish international showed his deadly cool in front of goal when he beat his old Liverpool team-mate Ray Clemence to clinch the title.

Bob Paisley's men had refused to be rattled by a spectacular Glenn Hoddle goal and scored twice in four minutes to take the trophy to Anfield for the 13th time. Ronnie Whelan

made the score 3-1 with a cracker two minutes from time.

Eire international Mark Lawrenson sent the packed 48,122 crowd wild with a superb headed equaliser from a Sammy Lee corner.

And the former Brighton star was involved in the trophy clincher when he scooped the ball back into the penalty area to find Kenny in acres of space.

The Kop favourite checked and then slid the ball under the England keeper and the Championship was back in Liverpool!





# SCOTLAND

## An unfavourable draw

AMONG the lessons learned from Scotland's bitter experience in Argentina four years ago is that optimism should remain at a healthy level.

Certainly manager Jock Stein has maintained a low profile throughout the World Cup qualifying campaign.

He remembers only too well the level of optimism bordering on hysteria which followed his successor, Ally MacLeod, and his team to Argentina and which, in the end, produced acute embarrassment.

They were expected to qualify for the second phase but, in the end, crashed to Peru and could only draw with unfancied Iran.

They remembered their good habits in defeating Holland 3-2 in the final match, but it came too late to salvage any Scottish pride.

But this time Scotland just can't afford to be too optimistic, having been drawn in the toughest group of all, with Russia and favourites Brazil the top contenders.

There is no question that in players like the Liverpool trio of Kenny Dalglish, Alan Hansen and Graeme Souness, they have plenty of craft and guile to at least trade punches with the Brazilians and Russians.

Much will depend on whether the talented midfield of Souness, Asa Hartford and Gordon Strachan or John Wark can

provide the openings which Dalglish is more than capable of exploiting, even against the very best in the world. Who will share the responsibility with Dalglish is a real poser.

Jock Stein could recall Italy-based Joe Jordan to provide a rugged approach to the well organised Brazilian and Russian defences, or continue with the pace and guile of Alan Brazil or Steve Archibald.

In defence, the capable Danny McGrain and Hansen will have to be at their very best to stifle the threats of Oleg Blokhin and Zico.

At least Scotland can ease into their tough programme against un rated New Zealand.

## WORLD CUP FIXTURES

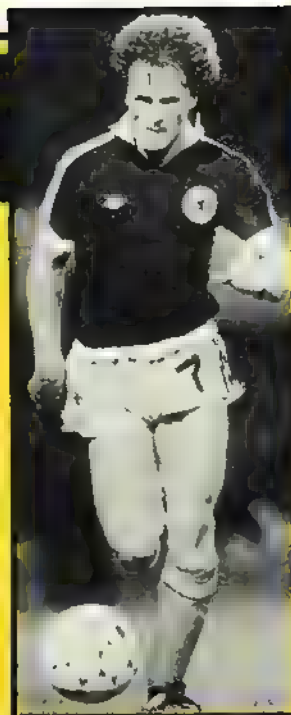
June 15 — New Zealand (Malaga).  
June 18 — Brazil (Seville).  
June 22 — Russia (Malaga).

## PREVIOUS WORLD CUP FINALS

1954, 1958, 1974, 1978.

## COLOURS

Shirts: Dark blue; Shorts: White; Socks: Red.



Celtic's Davie Provan in action for Scotland.

## MATCH VERDICT ★

IT would be nice to visualise all three British teams in the Second Round of the World Cup Finals.

England and Northern Ireland have more than an even chance of progressing, but Scotland face the toughest test of all.

With favourites Brazil and European dark horses Russia in their group, Jock Stein's side will have to play to their full potential to qualify.

There is plenty of class and spirit in the Scottish camp but, on too many occasions in the past, they have failed to produce the goods when it has mattered most.

And the Scots cannot afford to make one mistake against such highly-rated opposition.

## ● FIRST ROUND EXIT

## Probable squad

PLAYER	AGE	TEAM	POSITION	CAPS
Alan ROUGH	30	Park	Goalkeeper	48
George WOOD	29	Arsenal	Goalkeeper	4
Jim LEIGHTON	26	Aberdeen	Goalkeeper	0
Danny McGRAIN	32	Celtic	Defender	59
Ray STEWART	22	West Ham	Defender	6
Frank GRAY	26	Leeds	Defender	22
George BURLEY	25	Ipswich	Defender	10
Alan EVANS	25	Aston Villa	Defender	3
Alan HANSEN	26	Liverpool	Defender	13
Alan McFISH	24	Aberdeen	Defender	15
Willie MILLER	27	Aberdeen	Defender	17
Asa HARTFORD	31	Man. City	Midfield	48
Graeme SOUNESS	29	Liverpool	Midfield	24
Gordon STRACHAN	25	Aberdeen	Midfield	10
John WARK	24	Ipswich	Midfield	15
Tommy BURNS	24	Celtic	Midfield	2
Alan BRAZIL	23	Ipswich	Striker	6
Kenny DALGLISH	31	Liverpool	Striker	84
Siege ARCHIBALD	25	Tottenham	Striker	14
Joe JORDAN	31	AC Milan (Italy)	Striker	51
Davie PROVAN	25	Celtic	Striker	7
John ROBERTSON	29	Not'm Forest	Striker	19
Paul STURROCK	25	Dundee United	Striker	6

## HOW THEY GOT THERE

EUROPEAN GROUP SIX:  
Sweden 0, Scotland 1 (Strachan) — Solna, Sept. 10, 1980.  
Scotland 0, Portugal 0 — Glasgow, Oct. 15, 1980.  
Israel 0, Scotland 1 (Dalglish) — Tel Aviv, Feb. 2, 1981.  
Scotland 1 (Wark), Northern Ireland 1 — Glasgow, March 25, 1981.  
Scotland 3 (Robertson 2, Provan), Israel 1 — Glasgow, April 28, 1981.  
Scotland 2 (Jordan, Robertson), Sweden 0 — Glasgow, Sept. 9, 1981.  
Northern Ireland 0, Scotland 0 — Belfast, Oct. 14, 1981.  
Portugal 2, Scotland 1 (Sturrock) — Lisbon, Nov. 18, 1981.  
LEADING SCORER, Robertson 3

## FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SCOTLAND	8	4	1	3	9	4	11
N Ireland	8	3	3	2	6	3	9
Sweden	8	3	2	3	7	8	8
Portugal	8	3	1	4	8	11	7
Israel	8	1	3	4	6	10	5





# SPAIN

Melvyn Beck

## A-Z WORLD CUP '82

WITH just a week to go before the start of the World Cup Finals, our A-Z dossier on the Finalists spotlights Scotland and hosts Spain.

Each week, reporter Melvyn Beck has been bringing you a detailed look at the teams competing for soccer's greatest prize... highlighting their qualifying records, star players and likely squads.

And look out for the special 'Match' verdict on each team — with a star rating out of five indicating each country's chances of success.

## Hosts under pressure

THE Spanish players assembled at their headquarters near Valencia at the end of last month knowing that anything less than World Cup glory will be regarded as a failure.

With Spain the host country and chasing their best overall result in the World Cup — they were fourth in 1950 — Uruguayan-born manager Jose Santamaria and his players face considerable pressure.

Only time will tell whether they can live up to the expectations of a nation settling for nothing less than outright victory.

But whatever else, Santamaria, a former Real Madrid favourite, has brought stability to his squad and a certain amount of success, such as victories over England, Scotland and Belgium.

Santamaria took over in 1980 from the Hungaria, Ladislo Kubala, after a disappointing show in the European Championships in Italy.

He inherited a squad that had failed to advance beyond the opening stage in Argentina, although they held Brazil and defeated Sweden.

In nearly two years of

re-building, Santamaria has tried more than thirty players in 16 matches.

The only two players to appear in all games are goalkeeper and skipper Luis Arconada and full-back Rafael Gordillo.

But says Santamaria: "The spirit among our players couldn't be better."

There have been conflicts in the squad, one culminating in the dropping of Real Madrid forward Juanito.

Juanito, one of the stars in the win at Wembley last year, was banished for publicly criticising policy.

But the iron-fisted Santamaria may have to recall the winger because there is a shortage in Spain of top class material.

Santamaria is banking on experienced players, with the talented Jesus Maria Zamora at the hub of affairs in midfield.

Real Sociedad goalkeeper Arconada, rated one of the best in Europe, has formed a solid understanding with his defence of Jose Canacheo (Real Madrid), Gordillo (Real Betis), Miguel Tendillo (Valencia) and Jose Alesanco (Barcelona).

In midfield, 27-year-old Zamora's skills will be complemented by his Real Sociedad team mate Miguel Alonso, and Valencia's Enrique Saura.

The Spanish counter punches will come in the main from Saura and Real Sociedad's Roberto Ufarte, Juanito's successor, with Jesus Satrustegui the principal hope for goals.

**HOW THEY GOT THERE:** Spain automatically qualify as hosts.

*Below, the Spanish side. Back row (left to right) — Uria, Cardenosa, Arconada, Olmo, Gordillo. Front row — Alesanco, Saura, Santillana, Juanito, Cundi, Zamora.*



Valencia midfielder player Enrique Saura.

## WORLD CUP FIXTURES

**GROUP FIVE:**  
June 16 — Honduras (Valencia).  
June 20 — Yugoslavia (Valencia).  
June 25 — Northern Ireland (Valencia).

## PREVIOUS WORLD CUP FINALS

1934 (Quarter-Finals), 1950 (Fourth), 1962, 1966, 1978.

## COLOURS

Shirts: Red; Shorts: Blue; Socks: Black with red and yellow border.

## MATCH VERDICT ★★

THE wave of euphoria which will sweep Spain during the World Cup Finals should assist in the passage of the host country into the second phase.

Playing in the cramped spaces of the Luis Casanova ground in Valencia, Spain should benefit from their own partisan crowd in a group that includes Northern Ireland, Honduras and Yugoslavia.

But, apart from midfield player Jesus Zamora, Spain appear to lack the class and quality to go all the way through to the final stages.

## ● SECOND ROUND

### Probable squad

PLAYER	AGE	TEAM	POSITION	CAPS
Luis ARCONADA	27	Real Sociedad	Goalkeeper	38
Javier URRUTU	29	Barcelona	Goalkeeper	5
Jose SEMPERE	24	Valencia	Goalkeeper	0
Juan CANACHEO	26	Real Madrid	Defender	28
Jose ALESANCO	25	Barcelona	Defender	28
Miguel TENDILLO	21	Valencia	Defender	19
Rafael GORDILLO	27	Real Betis	Defender	28
Ricardo GALLEGO	23	Real Madrid	Defender	2
Miguel JIMENEZ	25	Sporting Gijon	Defender	1
Miguel ALONSO	29	Real Sociedad	Midfielder	15
Victor MUNOZ	25	Barcelona	Midfielder	9
Jesus ZAMORA	27	Real Sociedad	Midfielder	25
Jose SANCHEZ	25	Barcelona	Midfielder	6
Jose DIEGO	27	Real Sociedad	Midfielder	1
Enrique SAURA	27	Valencia	Midfielder	18
Juan JUANITO	27	Real Madrid	Striker	30
Jesus SATRUSTEGUI	28	Real Sociedad	Striker	27
Roberto UFARTE	24	Real Sociedad	Striker	9
Enrique QUINI	32	Barcelona	Striker	33
Carlos SANTILLANA	29	Real Madrid	Striker	31
Vigo ESTEBAN	27	Barcelona	Striker	3
Enrique MORAN	28	Barcelona	Striker	4





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Peter Davenport — 'Matchman of the Month' in the First Division.

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**UNKNOWN** Nottingham Forest striker Peter Davenport shot into the limelight with a hat-trick at Ipswich on the final Saturday of the season.

It was only his fifth game in the First Division, but his impressive performances during the final month of the season have earned him the 'Matchman of the Month' award for May.

Peter, signed from Merseyside area team Cammell Laird for the price of a bottle of Scotch, put £1 million strikers Ian Wallace and Justin Fashanu in the shade with four goals in five matches.

Now people are wondering whether Forest boss Brian Clough has uncovered another Gary Birtles who was plucked from Long

# Forest takes

Eaton for £2,000 and transformed into a £1 million England international.

But Peter only just shaded another First Division newcomer for the award.

He finished on the same mark (7.80) as Birmingham's bargain £110,000 striker Mick Harford whose nine goals in 12 games kept his side in the First Division.

Both strikers picked up two star awards in the month, but Peter had one more mark of 'nine' in his final tally.

In third place was England and Manchester United midfielder star Bryan Robson who finished the season with a flourish earning star ratings in United's last two matches.

## STEIN

BRIAN Stein, top scorer in Luton's Division Two Championship success, was the division's most impressive player last month.

But it was a close-run thing, with Barnsley striker Trevor Aylott just pipped at the post.

Both men finished with an average mark of 8.25, but twenty-goal Brian just took the award by virtue of three star ratings to two.

In third place was young Gary Waddock, one of the most improved players in the Queen's Park Rangers side.

## Trevor is top man

TEENAGER Trevor Steven proved a midfield inspiration in the last month of the season as Burnley clinched the Third Division Championship.

He received the star rating in three of his team's last six games to finish with an average mark of 8.16.

It's his second divisional award of the season, having lifted the first one of the campaign back in September.

In second spot was Reading's Kerry Dixon on 8.00.

Striker Francis Joseph was among the goals in Wimbledon's late, but unsuccessful bid to avoid dropping into Division Four.

And he will be joined there by Swindon's Russell Lewis who finished his Third Division campaign with a mark of 7.50.

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### DIVISION THREE

Player	Games	Average
Trevor Steven (Burnley)	6	8.16
Kerry Dixon (Reading)	4	8.00
Francis Joseph (Wimbledon)	6	7.66
Russell Lewis (Swindon)	4	7.50
Glynn Snodin (Doncaster)	5	7.40
Glen Cockerill (Lincoln)	5	7.40

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### DIVISION ONE

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Mick Harford (Birmingham)	5	7.80
Bryan Robson (Man. United)	4	7.75
Trevor Brooking (West Ham)	5	7.60
Paul Bracewell (Stoke)	5	7.60
Graeme Sharp (Everton)	4	7.50
Gary Stevens (Brighton)	4	7.50
Peter Shilton (Forest)	4	7.50
Ray Clemence (Tottenham)	4	7.50

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## STARS

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### DIVISION TWO

PLAYER	GAMES	AVERAGE
Brian Stein (Luton)	4	8.25
Trevor Aylott (Barnsley)	4	8.25
Gary Waddock (QPR)	4	7.80
Paul Stancliffe (Rotherham)	4	7.75
Dave Bennett (Cardiff)	4	7.50
Mark Barham (Norwich)	4	7.50
Brian Norton (Luton)	4	7.50
Colin Walker (Barnsley)	4	7.50
Mal Denaghy (Luton)	4	7.50

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## HERO HARVEY



HEREFORD'S Jimmy Harvey, a shock inclusion in Northern Ireland's World Cup squad of forty, is the Fourth Division winner for May.

The midfielder player was star man in Hereford's last three matches to finish with an average rating of 8.33

That put him clear of York's John Byrne, while Blackpool's Dave Bamber and Tranmere's Steve Craven also reached the 8.00 mark.

Jimmy Harvey — top man in Division Four.

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### DIVISION FOUR

Player	Games	Average
Jimmy Harvey (Hereford)	3	8.33
John Byrne (York)	5	8.20
Dave Bamber (Blackpool)	3	8.00
Steve Craven (Tranmere)	3	8.00
Keith Edwards (Sheff. Utd.)	4	7.75
Mark Chamberlain (Port Vale)	4	7.75
Les Briley (Aldershot)	4	7.75
Joe Cooke (Bradford)	4	7.75

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Brian Stein — the Second Division's most consistent performer in May.

## Ray romps home

DUNDEE'S Ray Stephen was a clear winner in the Scottish Premier Division.

He clocked up three 'eights' and the star ratings in Dundee's last three games of the season.

Next best, on 7.33, were Airdrie's Brian McKeown and Morton's Jim Duffy.

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### SCOTTISH PREMIER

Player	Games	Average
Ray Stephen (Dundee)	3	8.00
Brian McKeown (Airdrie)	3	7.33
Jim Duffy (Morton)	3	7.33
Gordon Strachan (Aberdeen)	4	7.25
Dave Provan (Celtic)	4	7.25
Tommy Burns (Celtic)	4	7.25
Jamie Doyle (Partick)	4	7.25
Richard Gough (Dundee Utd)	4	7.25

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## ROLL OF HONOUR

### SEPTEMBER

Division One: Jim Platt (Middlesbrough)  
Division Two: Tony Currie (Q.P.R.)  
Division Three: Trevor Steven (Burnley)  
Division Four: Colin Morris (Blackpool)  
— now Sheff. United  
Scottish Premier: Davie Provan (Celtic)

### OCTOBER

Division One: Steve Foster (Brighton)  
Division Two: Paul Walsh (Charlton)  
Division Three: Richard Dawson (Doncaster)  
Division Four: Mark Chamberlain (Port Vale)  
Scottish Premier: Ian Ferguson (Dundee)

### NOVEMBER

Division One: John Chiedozie (Notts County)  
Division Two: Ricky Hill (Luton)  
Division Three: Andy Rogers (Plymouth)  
Division Four: Mark Chamberlain (Port Vale)  
Scottish Premier: John McNeil (Morton)

### DECEMBER

No awards made due to lack of matches.

### JANUARY

Division One: Ian Rush (Liverpool)  
Division Two: Leroy Ambrose (Charlton)  
Division Three: Billy Hamilton (Burnley)  
Division Four: David Speedie (Darlington)  
Scottish Premier: No award made

### FEBRUARY

Division One: Graeme Souness (Liverpool)  
Division Two: Bob Wardle (Shrewsbury)  
Division Three: Danny Wilson (Chesterfield)  
Division Four: Robbie Cooke (Peterborough)  
Scottish Premier: Sandy Clark (Airdrie)

### MARCH

Division One: Ian Rush (Liverpool)  
Division Two: Martin O'Neill (Norwich)  
Division Three: Neil Webb (Reading)  
Division Four: Peter Anken (York)  
Scottish Premier: Tommy Burns (Celtic)

### APRIL

Division One: Alan Curtis (Swansea)  
Division Two: Martin O'Neill (Norwich)  
Division Three: David Williams (Bristol Rovers)  
Division Four: Ian McDonald (Aldershot)  
Scottish Premier: Willie Miller (Aberdeen)

### MAY

Division One: Peter Davenport (Forest)  
Division Two: Brian Stein (Luton)  
Division Three: Trevor Steven (Burnley)  
Division Four: Jimmy Harvey (Hereford)  
Scottish Premier: Ray Stephen (Dundee)

FOUR players collected two monthly awards during the season.

Ian Rush, one of Liverpool's championship stars, took the First Division honour twice in the space of three months with his skipper, Graeme Souness sandwiched in between.

Norwich inspiration Martin O'Neill won the Second Division award in successive months, as did Port Vale's talented young striker Mark Chamberlain early in the season.

Teenager Trevor Steven, a consistent performer in Burnley's Third Division Championship side, took the first and last honours of the season in that division.



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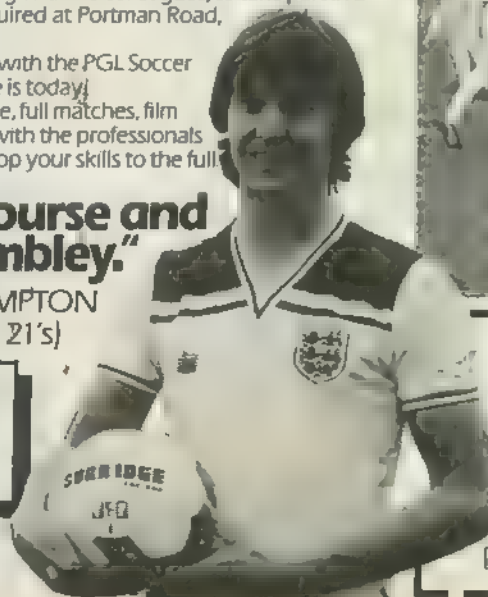
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# YOUR WORLD CUP RAMA STICKERS

YOU will have already found your super World Cup Rama poster inside this week's issue of Match Weekly. We hope you like it.

As you will have seen, the wallchart is unique because it incorporates a collect-your-own gallery of the World Cup stars, enabling you to build up a week-by-week collection of colour pictures on the chart itself!

Here are the first set of pictures. Cut them out and paste them carefully into their spaces on the wallchart.

Don't miss your second set of pictures in next week's issue. Make sure of a regular copy of Match Weekly.



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# THE GOAL OF MY LIFE

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KEVIN KEEGAN has scored a host of breathtaking goals in his spectacular career but they all pale alongside his Wembley winner for England against Eire a couple of seasons ago

"The king himself rates it better than any other he's scored and adds that nobody was more surprised than him to see it go in."

"I was surprised because everything I wanted to do came off." Keegan told *Match Weekly*. "Probably the biggest surprise was scoring with my left foot. When you add the fact that it was for England at Wembley, you'll understand why it meant so much to me."

"The ball was bouncing about just inside our own half and when I won the header I concentrated on moving towards goal, but I'd no idea what I was going to do."

"I rode one tackle and then it all seemed to open up. Three defenders came towards me and they pushed me out to the left, but I still had enough time to decide what to do."

"The fact that Eire had just changed their goalkeeper made me go for the chip. He was like y to be cold and I thought I might catch him out."

"A lot of people said the 'keeper was at fault but he was doing his job right—he had to narrow the angle. He was only doing what a good goalkeeper should do."

Kevin receives congratulations from Tony Woodcock.



# KEVIN KEEGAN

INTRODUCING the second in our great new series —

'The Goal of my Life'.

'Match' has been talking to the top players about

their greatest goals... and top artist Steve McGarry

has re-created the excitement of the moment with

brilliant drawings. This week England shipper and

'Match' columnist Kevin Keegan re-lives a Wembley

wonder. Next week: Dennis Tueart.



# TOP STOPPERS



My ball... my title! Gary Bailey of Manchester United is the safest goalkeeper in the First Division for the second successive year.

# GARY'S THE GREATEST!

## HE'S done it again!

Yes, Manchester United's talented young goalkeeper Gary Bailey had the safest pair of hands in the First Division for the second successive season.

The England 'B' international was the solid foundation behind United's return to Europe next season in the UEFA Cup, keeping no fewer than 23 clean sheets.

He conceded just 23 goals in 39 League matches... and that's an impressive average of one goal every 153 minutes.

It's little wonder England manager Ron Greenwood included the Old Trafford favourite in his World Cup squad of forty.

And if he can maintain the form he has shown over the past two seasons, then Bailey seems certain to start the next generation of England goalkeepers after the era of Peter Shilton, Ray Clemence and Joe Corrigan.

Gary improved on the previous season's table-topping figure by the staggering amount of exactly fifty minutes to finish well clear of Liverpool's Bruce Grobbelaar.

And what a first season the

Zimbabwe international has had in the top flight after filling the boots of Anfield legend Ray Clemence.

He collected League Championship and League Cup winners' medals and fulfilled the potential manager Bob Paisley had in him when throwing him in at the deep end last August.

He conceded just 32 goals in 42 League matches with his Liverpool predecessor Ray Clemence down in sixth place.

Filling the other three places in the top six are goalkeepers who began last season in the wilderness at their respective clubs.

Arsenal's George Wood, understudy to Northern Ireland ace Pat Jennings until the turn of the year, produced some outstanding displays to earn a recall to the Scotland squad.

Graham Moseley was fourth after winning back his first team place at Brighton at the start of the season from Perry Digweed... and his is the most improved record.

● OVER the next three weeks, 'Match' will bring you up-to-date with the 'Top Stoppers' from the other divisions.

## TOP STOPPERS FIRST DIVISION

Pos.	Player	Games	Goals	Minutes played per goal
1 (1)	Gary Bailey (Man. United)	39(40)	23(35)	153(103)
2 (—)	Bruce Grobbelaar (Liverpool)	42(—)	32(—)	118(—)
3 (—)	George Wood (Arsenal)	26(—)	25(—)	94(—)
4 (18)	Graham Moseley (Brighton)	30(26)	30(43)	90(54)
5 (—)	Nev Southall (Everton)	26(—)	28(—)	84(—)
6 (7)	Ray Clemence (Tottenham)	38(40)	41(42)	83(86)
7 (5)	Peter Shilton (Nott'm Forest)	41(40)	46(41)	80(88)
7 (13)	Joe Corrigan (Man City)	39(37)	44(51)	80(65)
9 (—)	Dai Davies (Swansea)	41(—)	48(—)	77(—)
10 (10)	Chris Turner (Sunderland)	23(27)	28(35)	74(69)
11 (17)	Jim Platt (Middlesbrough)	42(40)	52(59)	73(61)
12 (2)	Jimmy Rimmer (Aston Villa)	42(42)	53(40)	71(94)
13 (—)	Phil Parkes (West Ham)	39(—)	51(—)	69(—)
14 (13)	Jeff Wealds (Birmingham)	23(39)	32(54)	65(65)
14 (3)	Paul Cooper (Ipswich)	31(38)	43(37)	65(92)
14 (—)	Mark Grew (West Brom)	23(—)	32(—)	65(—)
17 (9)	John Lukic (Leeds)	42(42)	61(47)	62(80)
18 (—)	Ivan Katalinic (Southampton)	32(—)	47(—)	61(—)
19 (15)	Peter Fox (Stoke)	38(42)	57(60)	60(63)
19 (11)	Paul Bradshaw (Wolves)	42(38)	63(50)	60(68)
21 (—)	Raddy Avramovic (Notts County)	42(—)	69(—)	58(—)
22 (—)	Jim Blyth (Coventry)	26(—)	50(—)	47(—)

● Last season's figures in brackets

THE first column in the table shows the number of games played. The second column shows the number of goals conceded and the third column is the average number of minutes play between each goal. For instance, Middlesbrough's Jim Platt conceded, on average, one goal every 73 minutes.

Only League goals have been used in the compilation of this table and only goalkeepers who played at least twenty games qualified for inclusion.



# My Story



## FRANK WORTHINGTON

Frank Worthington has been telling all — and telling it to 'Match Weekly'.

Over the past six weeks, Frank has been revealing the inside stories behind his flamboyant soccer career — from his humble beginnings with Huddersfield to his heady days at the top with England.

This week sees the conclusion of the life story of one of the game's great characters with another chapter from his American connection — and one of his greatest ever goals — the parting of the ways with struggling Birmingham and the disappointment of relegation with his new club Leeds.

Former Birmingham boss Jim Smith — now with Oxford. I've always had a lot of respect for him and it came as a tremendous shock when he was sacked at St Andrews.



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I MAY be back in the Second Division with Leeds, but I believe my skills deserve the highest level.

I'm not being big-headed when I say that I just know that the top flight is my level and that's where I should play.

So I was really looking forward to The Blues' first season back in the top flight in 1980-81 and we got off to a good start with a comfortable 3-1 win over Midlands rivals Coventry.

It was a good start for me as well because in the next four games, I scored three times — including one against Liverpool in a 1-1 home draw.

Birmingham's main aim was to consolidate their position in the First Division and, in doing so, we played some really good football — far better than the stuff we'd played in our promotion season.

This was because players like myself, Colin Todd and Archie Gemmill were more suited to the First Division. Skilled players are given a chance to express themselves.

As well as finishing an impressive 13th in the First Division, we also reached the Quarter-Finals of the League Cup, only to go out 3-1 to Liverpool. How often that club's name has cropped up in my life-story.

I had to sweat it out in the stands

and watch the lads put up a spirited display before losing. I was suspended and couldn't play in the match.

At the end of the season, I was looking forward to a good long rest. I had no thoughts about returning to America to play.

I'd written off any chance of crossing the Atlantic until Jim Smith called me into his office and said he'd agreed terms with Tampa Bay Rowdies.

Now Tampa are the 'Manchester United' of American football, so I was really excited about the prospect of joining them.

And playing for 'Rowdies' was completely different to what I'd experienced before. Soccer was a virtually unknown sport in Philadelphia — my previous American club — and the club were struggling to establish it.

Tampa was a prestigious club with a big following and the players were stars. You couldn't walk down the street without getting asked for an autograph. The atmosphere and enthusiasm was fantastic.

I travelled over to the States with a couple of young lads from Millwall — Dave Mehmet and Tony Kinsella. They took a bit of time to get used to the game out there, but they were useful signings and helped us reach the





Left: I never step out of line with the referee. My former Birmingham team-mate Archie Gemmill and I are right behind this one as we prepare to take a free kick.

Right: I'm Stateside . . . and in action for Tampa Bay Rowdies. The atmosphere and enthusiasm surrounding the club is fantastic

# ONE ME!

play-offs.

Another British player in the side was David Moss of Luton. He's a good player and should do well in the First Division next season.

I found myself in and out of the side as the team struggled. But the turning point for me and the team was the day he recalled me for a game against George Best's San Jose Earthquakes.

I scored a hat-trick and we won comfortably. From then on, nothing could stop us. The transformation in the side was unbelievable. We got it together and played really well to reach the play-offs.

We met giants New York Cosmos in the Semi-Final and would have beaten them if the referee hadn't disallowed my perfectly good goal.

It was one of my best ever. The ball was knocked in to me on the edge of the box. I had my back to goal, flicked the ball over my head, turned and hit it on the volley.

I couldn't believe it when the ref ruled it offside. There's no doubt that decision cost us a place in the Final.

I returned to Birmingham with the 1981-82 season five games old and was delighted to hear that Jim Smith had signed my old Bolton striking partner Neil Whatmore.

But although our home form wasn't too bad last season, we just couldn't get it together when we travelled and

spent the season struggling at the bottom of the First Division.

Even though we were fighting for our First Division lives, it came as a tremendous shock when the directors sacked Jim Smith and soon appointed former Villa boss Ron Saunders.

I've always had a lot of respect for Jim Smith. I got on well with him. He's an honest bloke who likes a drink or two!

The writing was on the wall with the arrival of Ron Saunders. It soon became plain that I wasn't his type of player.

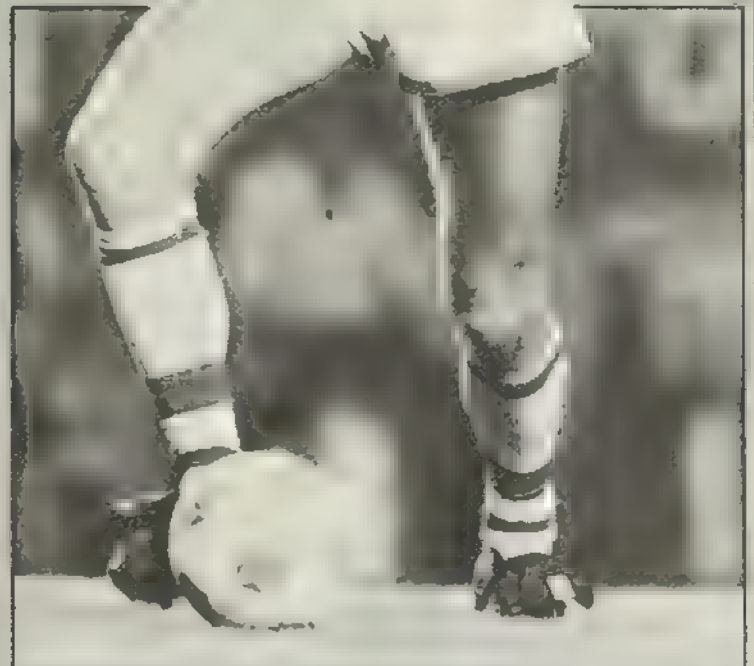
Having said that, he was very fair to me. He called me into his office and asked me what my position was with the club.

I told him that my contract expired at the end of the season and he agreed that he would let me know if any club came in for me in the meantime.

There was talk of Middlesbrough, Crystal Palace and even mighty Manchester United seeking my signature, but those deals fell through because money was tight.

The Leeds move came of the blue, but I was happy to sign for Allan Clarke in an exchange deal which took Welsh international Byron Stevenson to my old club.

Even though I felt Leeds were playing quite well, the results kept going against us. The manager also



had problems with injuries. In the run-in, I don't think he managed to field the same team more than twice on the trot.

Leeds eventually got relegated, but I was more than happy with my form for the Yorkshire club and finished with nine League goals.

I'm contracted to Leeds for another season so it looks as though I'll be spending next term in the Second Division again. But I don't think my days in the top flight are over.

I believe I can still play at the highest level for another three years, so I'm determined to help Leeds back into Division One at the first attempt.

If I can help them get promotion, it will give me quite a unique record in that respect. I've also played in promotion-winning sides for Huddersfield, Bolton and Birmingham.

As long as you enjoy playing the game, as I do, age doesn't matter. Once you lose your appetite for the game, your days are numbered.

The game has changed a fair bit since I first started. There's more emphasis on work-rate nowadays. Managers tend to want grafters in their team.

After winning the World Cup in 1966, England were top of the pile. We've slipped badly since because we haven't learnt to progress from those heady days. Now we are miles behind the Brazils of this world in terms of technique and skill.

But there is hope on the horizon. Clubs like Liverpool, Ipswich, Tottenham and Manchester United are footballing sides. Let's hope others follow their example.

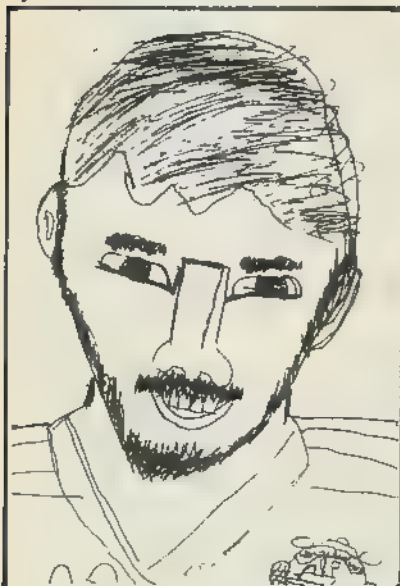
*Frank Worthington*

● Frank Worthington was talking to Anthony Hawksell.



# STAR GALLERY

MARK Crossley (11) of Market Harborough, Leics., drew this picture of Garry Birtles and says of the Manchester United striker: "He tries very hard to get the goals."



"TERRY McDermott is a great all round player with great skill and ball control," says Graham Jew of Worcester.



KEITH Farnes of Southwater, West Sussex, drew this picture of Portsmouth's Jeff Hemmerson and says: "He's a great striker who has scored some great goals."



"ALAN Devonshire should be in 'Star Gallery' because of his consistently brilliant performances for West Ham," says Terry Halpin, of Reading, Berks.

## Chart-busters

HERE'S my football top ten:

- 1 Standing On The Top — Liverpool
- 2 Forget-Me-Nots — Dave Watson to Ron Greenwood.
- 3 Circle — Stan Bowles and Charlie George.
- 4 Never Gonna Let You Go — Wolves to Andy Gray.
- 5 Don't You Love It — Luton and Watford.
- 6 You Got The Power — Cyrille Regis.
- 7 Never Give Up On A Good Thing — Brian Clough.
- 8 I've Had Enough — Peter Taylor.
- 9 Ebony And Ivory — Garth Crooks and Steve Archibald.
- 10 Walking Into Sunshine — the World Cup Finals. Jonathan Dzidzienyo, Waitworth, London.

... AND here's my soccer chart-busters:

- 1 House Of Fun — Anfield.
- 2 I Don't Believe It — Bobby Robson.
- 3 I Won't Let You Down — Ron Saunders.
- 4 Way On Down — Wolves.
- 5 Promised You A Miracle — Norwich boss Ken Brown.
- 6 Ever So Lonely — Crewe.
- 7 Grey Day — Middlesbrough.
- 8 Close Escape — Sunderland.
- 9 Shadow of Fear — Ronnie Allen.
- 10 Fantastic Day — Sheffield United. Peter Stubley, Goole, N. Humberside.

## TRAGIC LOSS

I WAS very saddened by the death of Arsenal chairman Dennis Hill-Wood, one of the best football chairmen this country has seen.

Mr Hill-Wood was the cannon behind (Arsenal's double success in 1971 and his strength of character kept moral high at Highbury in the lean years. George Parnarou, London.

## No justice in soccer

IT seems as if there is one law for London teams, and one for the rest of the country.

Take Arsenal and Norwich, for instance.

A few weeks ago, Norwich's Greg Downs appeared before the FA Disciplinary Committee and received a one-match ban. The same day, Arsenal's David O'Leary appeared before them for the second time this season — and was only given a warning.

Now we hear that Vladimir Petrovic has signed for the 'Gunners'.

You will remember that Wynton Rufer, a British Commonwealth footballer, was refused a work permit to play for Norwich because his home country, New Zealand, is not a member of the EEC.

But neither is Yugoslavia — Petrovic's homeland.

So where's the justice in that? Robin Uttin, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

## Overdue success

AFTER a season of entertaining football down at Dean Court, I was proud to see AFC Bournemouth win a deserved and long overdue place in the Third Division after seven years in the Fourth.

This should make it an extra sunny summer down south. Well done, Cherries! Julian Escott (14), Ensbury Park, Bournemouth

## Lucky Liverpool

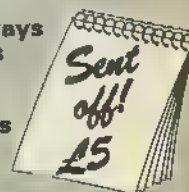
I AM outraged that Liverpool have all the luck.

They hardly ever get any injuries and they always seem to score in the last couple of minutes — as they did in the 3-2 victory at Southampton.

Liverpool should give the League trophy to Ipswich, who have been so unlucky with injuries this season.

Derrick Jameson, Stoneleigh, Surrey.

● SUPERIOR fitness enables Liverpool to put on the pressure in the final minutes. And when players are super-fit, they are less likely to pick up an injury. Liverpool haven't been lucky — they've been in better shape than their rivals. You're sent off!







Cyrille Regis — he's linked with Jonathan Dzidzienyo's football top ten.

## What crisis?

ONCE again, Liverpool have confounded the critics.

'ANFIELD CRISIS' howled the press as the Reds slumped to a mid-table position at the turn of the year.

Yet Liverpool proved them all wrong. They clinched the League title again with some smashing football and fully deserved their success.

I'm just jealous Nottingham Forest couldn't do the same! Douglas Quinn (14), Sturton-by-Stow, Lincoln.

## Taylor's retirement was no surprise

I WAS not surprised to hear that Peter Taylor had ended his long-standing managerial partnership with Brian Clough.

I saw Forest play recently, and I kept a close watch on the bench. Brian Clough never stopped shouting and waving his arms about. Poor Peter Taylor must have been completely fed up with it.

If Peter Taylor ever has a successor, I hope he knows what he's letting himself in for! Gerard Carolan (15), Penshaw, Houghton.

# Magician of Meadow Lane

£10 WINNER

THE football world has been raving about the exploits of Swansea City boss John Toshack.

And although the ex-Liverpool striker has done a wonderful job for the Welsh club, the biggest miracle has been worked by Notts County manager Jimmy Sirrel.

County have had to live in the shadow of the enormously successful Forest club, have had to survive on meagre gates of 10,000 or

less, yet have still progressed to the First Division and have stayed there on merit.

Toshack has had no financial worries and has been able to buy players when they were needed. Sirrel has not had this luxury but has formed a more than useful side capable of staying in the elite 22 for a while longer yet.

Well done, Jimmy! Anna Coxon, Gateshead, Tyne-and-Wear.

## TERRACE TALK

...the letters page with something to say!

We'll pay £10 to the sender of what we consider to be the star letter of the week and £2 for every other letter we publish.

Write to: 'Terrace Talk', Match Weekly, Stirling House, Bretton, Peterborough PE3 8DJ.



Cannon and Ball as seen by Fred Young of Washington, Tyne and Wear.

## It's a comical game

EVEN a team like MORECAMBE would cause problems for the present North East teams and it doesn't take a WISE man to realise that Newcastle, Sunderland and Middlesbrough won't win a single LAUREL next season if they play in less HARDY fashion.

They were nothing but CANNON fodder and even the so-called smaller clubs had a BALL at their expense.

There is very LITTLE playing potential at these three clubs to match their LARGE following.

They need to be more entertaining. Just look what FLANAGAN and ALLEN have done for Queen's Park Rangers. Fred Young, Washington, Tyne and Wear.

## GOLDEN GOOF

IF you're a Rotherham fan, you don't mind waiting a while for a goal... but four months seems a little overdue.

Allan Goddard, of Askern, near Doncaster, spotted this Golden Goof.

THE 11th FEBRUARY.  
First Tony Towner knocked a corner over in 55 minutes for John Green to head in and the same player grabbed his second in the 57th minute when the ball broke loose. Billy McEwan got in on the act four months later as he headed in a Towner cross.

# OUTRAGED!

OUTRAGED about something concerning soccer?

Then write and tell us about it. But remember, you risk the wrath of the 'Match' referee Michael Weavers, who may book you or, worse still, send you off!

Just to soften the blow, the person who gets his marching orders wins £5 and those whose names are taken get £2.

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## Sell-out at Forest

I'M outraged with Nottingham Forest boss Brian Clough. First he drove away Trevor Francis and Garry Birtles. Now he's considering selling Peter Shilton!

What's he trying to do? Get Forest relegated? Andy Foote, Dunstable, Beds.

● I THOUGHT people had stopped doubting Brian Clough's wisdom after his second European Cup win. You're booked.

## Over the top

I'M outraged about the coverage Liverpool got on 'Match of the Day'. For the last four Saturdays of the season, they were involved in the main match each time.

Who wants to watch Liverpool all the time? Jonathan Preedy, Kettering, Northants.

● I DO. You're booked.

## Don't write us off!

I'M absolutely outraged by the lack of coverage given to North East teams in 'Match'.

You write off our teams without hesitation.

Although it hasn't been the best of seasons for the North East, there have been some things to cheer us up.

Like Sunderland's brave battle for First Division survival. And Newcastle made a fair attempt at promotion from Division Two.

Joanne Ross, Trimdon Station, Durham.

● FAIR attempt my foot! Anything less would have seen the Magpies in the Third Division. You're booked.



# DANNY'S DOUBLE

DANNY Thomas, Coventry's 'Player of the Year' for the second successive season, believes the young 'Sky Blues' are capable of pushing for a place in Europe next year.

He feels that Coventry's end-of-season flourish — they lost just one of their last nine games — augurs well for next term.

"If we can show the same kind of consistency next season, then we could be among the contenders for a place in Europe," says Danny, who also collected the Midlands 'Young Player of the Year' award.

"We changed our playing system, and it seemed to work. We gave away less goals and we scored 18 in the last nine games.

"The side is getting more experienced, and I think we could be pushing for honours next season — probably in the cups."

But, despite Coventry's

impressive climax, Danny didn't enjoy the final weeks.

"I was pushed into a midfield role from full back, and I don't really enjoy playing there, particularly on the right hand side.

"But, overall, I feel I have played with more consistency this season than in the previous campaign when I picked up the first award."

A 'Match Weekly' guide to who was voted 'Player of the Year' by the supporters at the various First Division clubs up and down the country. And we talk to winners at vastly differing stages of their careers.



# THE FANS' CHOICE

## Eddie's the idol at Elland Road

LEEDS' old campaigner Eddie Gray faces his first ever season in the Second Division after 16 years at the top.

But despite the team's problems, the former Scottish international — who was a member of Leeds' all-conquering side of the 1970's — is still playing as well as ever.

And he was the clear winner of the Leeds United Supporters Club 'Player of the Year' award.

"I really appreciated the honour. It's just a pity that it had to come in the season that Leeds were relegated," says Eddie.

"You can never be 100 per cent satisfied with your form, but I was quite pleased with the way I played last season.

"The team didn't play that well and that was mainly due to the fact that we didn't have a settled side. The manager kept having to chop and change because of injuries.

"It's not much fun being relegated to the Second Division, but we've got to put it behind us



Leeds veteran Eddie Gray — in the Second Division for the first time in his distinguished career.

and concentrate on bouncing straight back.

"It's going to be difficult because, from what I've seen of the division, there are a lot of good teams trying to get out."

Eddie, who made his Leeds debut back in 1966, still has another year of his contract to run at Elland Road.

"I'm feeling very fit and have no thoughts about retiring just yet. I've got a job to do at Leeds first," says Eddie, who's now playing at left-back after starting his career as a dazzling winger.

## PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

Club	Player	This season		Total for club	
		App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Arsenal	Kenny Sansom	42	0	84	3
Aston Villa	Allan Evans	36	2	156	24
Birmingham	Dave Langan	36	1	78	1
Brighton	Andy Ritchie	38	12	64	17
Coventry	Danny Thomas	39	1	67	2
Ipswich	Alan Brazil	34	20	125	58
Leeds	Eddie Gray	31	1	429	52
Man. City	Tommy Caton	39	1	111	1
Middlesbrough	Jim Platt	42	0	378	0
Nottm Forest	Peter Shilton	41	0	202	0
Notts County	Iain McCulloch	39	16	156	41
Southampton	Kevin Keegan	41	26	68	37
Stoke	Peter Fox	38	0	104	0
Sunderland	Nick Pickering	35	3	35	3
Swansea	Robbie James	42	14	354	90
West Brom	Cyrille Regis	37	17	174	62
West Ham	Alvin Martin	28	4	138	9
Wolves	Paul Bradshaw	42	0	190	0

● Only full League appearances are included in the table.

\* The players of the year at Spurs, Man. United, Liverpool and Everton had still to be announced at our time of going to Press.



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# Zbigniew Boniek POLAND'S FIERY STAR

**BRILLIANT** Polish midfielder Zbigniew Boniek enters the World Cup Finals refuting his 'bad boy' image.

Boniek's temper is renowned to match his mop of fiery red hair.

But the 26-year-old star insists: "I'm not the person I'm made out to be. It is an exaggeration.

"I just get myself involved in the game. I'm fully committed but I'm not a difficult player to handle."

Suspensions over the years seem to prove otherwise, however.

He incurred a four-match international ban for fighting with a reporter in 1979... and a six-month ban last year after he led a revolt by national players.

But whatever his reputation, you cannot dismiss his obvious skills.

Italian giants Juventus certainly don't doubt his talent. They've just paid out £1 million pound to lure him from Widzew Lodz and he will replace Liam Brady at the start of the next Italian season.

His natural skill and flair with the ball at his feet makes him quite simply Poland's best player and biggest star.

Born in Bydgoszcz, Boniek played first for his local club Zawiaza before moving to Lodz in 1975.

He is a worker, organiser and brilliant passer. At free kicks he's deadly and the thumping, swerving long-range shot he possesses makes him a dangerous attacker, too.

Boniek has been tried in all sorts of positions, but he has no doubts about his favourite role:

"It has to be central midfield," he says.

"I'm an attacking player and I like to make and score goals."

Boniek was Poland's outstanding player in the 1978 Finals and has steadily improved since.

He is now their most vital player and the key to their chances in the Finals this time round.

The only doubt about his form stems from a knee injury which has hampered him on and off since '78.

That, and his suspect temperament, could be his undoing.

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